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COAT-OF-ARMS

Thacher

HERALDIC DESCRIPTION

ARMS: Gules, a cross moline *argent;* on a chief *d'or*, three grasshoppers, proper.

CREST: A grasshopper, proper, resting on a helmet, visor closed.

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Part I.

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From the earliest period of English history up to the time of the Puritan revolution, the right to "bear arms" or use armorial insignia in any form was strictly regulated by the law of the land. The Heralds appointed by the Crown were delegated to grant the privilege to bear such arms, and were also empowered to prevent unauthorized individuals from exercising such rights under the penalty of the law. These Heralds in their periodic "Visitations" of the various counties of England, exercised their legal functions, and kept recorded in the archives of their office the rolls of those entitled to bear arms, together with a full heraldic description of the arms thus borne, and in many instances the full pedigrees of the individual entitled to bear them. The manuscript records of these periodic "Visitations" have in many instances been placed before the public in printed duplicates of the original, giving the record of those in certain counties at the time of that particular "Visitation" who by the Heralds were recognized as having the indisputable right to use such armorial insignia. For the purposes of this article it is necessary to refer to only one of such published Visitation, viz.: *The Visitations of Sussex in 1530 and in 1633-4*, published by the Harleian Society of England.

The right to bear arms was the official recognition of an existing aristocracy, and it was natural that at the breaking out of the Puritan reforms in England, the recognition of this aristocratic privilege should spring into some disrepute among those who swayed the destinies of the land at that time. It followed from this condition of affairs that during the time of the Puritan upheaval and subsequent thereto up to the present time the same rigid scrutiny of the use of armorial insignia in England has not existed as it did exist previous to that period. However, the right to bear arms exists by law today in England as it did in the past, even though the transgression of that same law is not punished now by the severe penalties in force before the Puritan revolution.

If a family in England can trace its origin to one to whom the right to bear arms has been duly granted by the properly constituted authority, then the members of that family, subject to the laws of Heraldry, can make use of such arms as an inalienable right granted unto them by the law.

For many years subsequent to the discovery of this country the larger part thereof which was settled was under the dominion of the English crown, and hence the laws of England were the

fundamental laws of this land. An individual in this land, therefore, at that time belonging to an English family entitled to bear arms, was, from the fact that he was a subject of England, entitled likewise to make such use of his Heraldic inheritance as were permitted by the then well-known laws of Heraldry.

Such was the legal status of Heraldry in this country up to the time of the Declaration of Independence and the subsequent adoption of the Constitution of the United States. The very essence of the Constitution of this country is repugnant to the fostering of an aristocratic class, and such was the spirit of the founders of our fundamental law that by specific wording of the Constitution barriers were erected to prevent the establishment in the future of any officially recognized aristocracy. Hence any one who swears allegiance to the United States, loses by his oath any legal right he may have had in another country to a recognized use of Heraldic insignia. The use of such insignia however, has not been specifically prohibited by the law of the land, and hence its use has continued in force here by the toleration of a government indifferent to a usage which it feels is of too little importance to materially affect the serious underlying democracy of the people at large.

The knowledge that certain families in the United States are descended in direct line from families of foreign origin entitled to bear arms is perhaps a matter of justified pride on the part of the representatives of the branches of these families who are now citizens of the United States. The study of family history of recent years has become so popular, that the desire for knowledge of blood right to use armorial insignia has increased so that it has become desirable to ascertain with as much accuracy as possible the amount of evidence existant in support of the blood (not legal) right of an individual in this country to make use of the heraldic insignia conferred in the past by law on an individual bearing his family name.

The largest group of the Thacher-Thatcher family in the United States is that composed of the descendants of Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass., and of his nephew, Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Old South Church, Boston, Mass.—both of whom are descendants of the Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, Co. Somerset, England—the most remote known ancestor of this branch of the family, and who was for fifty (50) years, 1574–1624, vicar of the parish church at Queen Camel, where he died in 1624, while still vicar.

Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, had the following children:

1 Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, b. ——, 1587–8 d. Feb. 14, 1640–1, at Salisbury, Eng.

2 Antony[2] Thacher, b. ——, 1588–9; d. ——, 1667, at Yarmouth, Mass.

3 John[2] Thacher, b. ——, 1590–1; d. ——, 1653-1655, at Queen Camel, Eng.

4 Giles[2] Thacher, b. ——, 1591; d. ——, 1602, at Queen Camel, Eng.

5. Thomas[2] Thacher, b. ——; d. ——; m. Sept. 24, 1621, at Queen Camel, to Marie Lokier.

Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was the well known Puritan rector of the parish church of St. Edmund in Salisbury, England, from 1622 until his death in 1640–1. His son, Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, his only child known to have come to this country, came over in 1635, on the ship *James*, and subsequently became the first pastor of the Old South Church in Boston, and died there Oct. 15, 1678, while still pastor of that church. He was one of the best known and most highly honored men of Boston of his time, and was the founder of the Boston branch of the Thacher family.

Antony[2] Thacher came over to this country on the ship *James* in 1635, having in his charge his nephew, Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher (then a lad of fifteen). Antony[2] Thacher settled in Yarmouth, Mass., of which town he was one of the original grantees. He was one of the leading men of his community and the founder of the Cape Cod branch of the Thacher family.

John[2] Thacher lived and died in Queen Camel, England, and we have no knowledge of any of his descendants coming to this country.

Giles[2] Thacher died at Queen Camel, England, before reaching maturity.

Thomas[2] Thacher, so far as is known lived and died in Queen Camel, England; we have no knowledge of his children. His wife Marie was witness to the will of John[2] Thacher in 1653. On the 7th day of September, 1650, letters of administration were granted to Marie Thacher, widow of Thomas Thacher, late of Queen Camel, deceased.

The earliest record that we have of the use of a coat-of-arms by the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the Thacher family is found on the seal impressed in wax upon the letter sent by Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, pastor of the Old South Church, Boston, under date of 16–8, 1676, to his son Peter[4] Thacher, who was at that time sojourning in London, England. A copy of this letter, with comments thereon, including a description of the seal attached to the signature, can be seen in Vol. VIII, pp. 177–8, April, 1854, issue of the *N. E. Hist.-Gen. Register*. The original of this letter passed down from Rev. Peter[4] Thacher, to whom it was sent, to his descendants and was discovered later in the possession of Deacon Peter[7] Thacher of Attleboro, Mass.; from him it came into the possession of his son, Hon. Peter[8] Thacher of Cleveland, Ohio, who died Feb. 12 (or 13), 1880; it then came into the hands of his son Peter[9] Thacher of Cleveland, Ohio, who died Jan. 19, 1891, at Lake Mary, Florida. This original letter was preserved with great care by Hon. Peter[8] Thacher and his son, and by them was kept in a glass case to preserve it from further disintegration. At the time of its publication in the *New England Register* in 1854, it was in a fair state of preservation and the seal impressed thereupon was intact. Peter[9]

Thacher before his death presented this letter in its glass case to one of the antiquarian societies of Boston, where it is now deposited and may be seen. I am unable to state what society it was, but I have positive knowledge of its existence in the archives of some library in Boston, as I have seen in the collection of the late Hon. Peter Thacher of Newtown, Mass., a copy of the letter of Peter[9] Thacher of Cleveland, transmitting the letter to this Society.

The family arms are impressed in wax in this letter and when inspected in 1854, were thus described:

"Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief of gold, three grasshoppers, proper. Crest: A grasshopper proper."

At the time when this letter was written, the right to bear arms in England and its dependencies was rigidly scrutinized and regulated by law, and an unauthorized assumption of this right was at least a misdemeanor and possibly a crime visited by punishment therefor. As America was at that time indisputably under the English crown, it follows that the use of a coat-of-arms here would be subjected to a certain amount of scrutiny even though it might not be as rigid as that exercised in the mother country. It is not, therefore, for a moment to be supposed that Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, one of the leading divines of his day, and also one of the most prominent men of Boston, would have presumed to transgress the law in using such armorial insignia. The fact that he possessed this seal and used it is the strongest presumptive proof of his legal right so to do.

Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher died intestate. Had he left a will there would have undoubtedly been found attached to it after his signature an impression in wax of the above described seal. It is worthy of note, however, that in the inventory of his effects taken after his decease, is found an item, "gold seals," and among these "gold seals" was unquestionably the seal which in 1676 had been impressed upon the above referred to letter, which seal in the distribution of his property became the property of one of his children.

Thomas[4] Thacher, eldest son of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher also died intestate, and we have no will of his to examine for a reproduction of this seal. Rodolphus[4] Thacher, second son of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, died in Groton, Conn., in 1773, and his will, which is filed in the Probate Court of New London, Conn., originally bore a seal; a description of the seal I have never seen in any early writings on the subject, and now in 1910, when an inspection was made of the same, time had so destroyed the original impression as to leave nothing of it which is decipherable. Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton, Mass., youngest son of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, died Dec. 17, 1727, and his will dated Feb. 12, 1721–2, bears a seal; this seal has not been described to my knowledge in the past, and an examination of the original will, made in 1910, develops the fact that it cannot now be deciphered, due to age and consequent deterioration. It is however a fair presumption that the wax impression on the

will of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton was that of the self-same seal used on the letter of 1676; for the reason that Thomas[5] Thacher, son of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton, died on Dec. 19, 1725, leaving a will which is filed in the Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Court under the file number 4561. On this will with the signature of Thomas[5] Thacher was in the past to be found impressed in wax a seal, which seal has been fully described in the past as bearing the same arms as these described in the letter of 1676.* It is a regrettable fact that in 1910 this same seal is so worn as to be incapable of description. Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton outlived his son Thomas[5] Thacher, and it is probable that the seal on the latter's will was the family seal belonging to his father, who in his turn had impressed the same seal on his will although it is not now distinguishable. After the death of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher, this seal was probably inherited by his son Oxenbridge[5] Thacher, as we hear of it again subsequently as in the possession of his grandson Rev. Peter[7] Thacher of the Brattle Street Church in Boston.

This seems to be a complete resumé of the evidence obtainable from family sources that the descendants of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Boston are entitled to bear arms, and it seems sufficient, for they were borne by the emigrant ancestor and have been used ever since by the successive generations of his descendants.

From the *Heraldic Journal*, Vol. IV, pp. 75–80, we see that the right to bear arms is conceded to this branch of the Thacher family by the expert authority of that publication, and that the arms impressed on the will of Thomas[5] Thacher of Boston are therein described as: "Gules, a cross moline argent, on a chief three grasshoppers proper," and on the cut of the arms accompanying the article, which cut is an exact reproduction of the seal on the will of Thomas[5] Thacher of Boston; the crest is also given as a grasshopper.

In the *Heraldic Journal*, Vol. I, pp. 113–140, is given a description of the "Gore Roll of Arms," the most ancient authority on the use of coat-of-arms in this country. On page 129 of this article, and number 53 of the Gore Roll, is given the description of the arms of Joshua Gee of Boston. These arms are the Gee arms quartered with those of the Thachers, and are thus described:

1st on a chevron, between three leopards' faces, as many fleurs-de-lys.

2nd a cross moline, on a chief three grasshoppers.

Crest, a wolf statant, reguardant, ermine.

The 2nd quartering here described is as we see the arms of the Thachers.

Joshua Gee married Elizabeth[4] Thacher, daughter of Judah[3] Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass., and granddaughter of Rev. Thomas Thornton, pastor of the church of Yarmouth, Mass., for many

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See *Heraldic Journal*, Vol. IV, p. 77, pub. 1868.

years. Thus we see that as early as 1696, the date of the marriage of Joshua Gee to Elizabeth[4] Thacher, we have record that the Yarmouth branch of the Thacher family claimed the right to bear these same described arms.

This is a full statement of the claims of the Boston-Yarmouth branch of the American Thacher family to bear arms. It now becomes necessary to connect this American branch of the family with the English Thacher family, who were likewise entitled to bear arms.

As we have stated, John[2] Thacher, the uncle of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, lived, died and was buried in Queen Camel, Co. Somerset, England. He was buried there Feb. 25, 1653, under the middle aisle of the parish church, St. Barnabas, where a marble slab marks his grave. He left a nuncupative will, dated Feb. 21, 1653, this will was dictated and witnessed on that date and subsequently admitted to probate, and is on file in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. The will not being signed, but being simply dictated before witnesses, there is no seal attached to same to establish right to bear arms. This John[2] Thacher left, however, a widow Rebecca, who made a will dated Aug. 20, 1662, which was proved April 18, 1669, at Wells, England, and is now on file there in the Wells Registry of Probate, in the Archdeaconry Court, file number 36, of 1664. This will is signed "Rebeckha Thacher {SEAL OF ARMS} her mark." The seal which accompanies her mark and which is the distinguishing mark of her identity, is the seal of the Thacher family of Sussex Co., England, and has been carefully examined by a local genealogist of undoubted repute, who accompanied his description of said seal by a sketch of the same which fully confirms the description sent, which is as follows: "Gules, a cross moline, on a chief or, three grasshoppers. Crest, a grasshopper resting on a helmet." The tinctures and metals of this seal are of course not given in the wax impression, but are indicated by the conventional engraving known to heraldry. We thus see that on or about the same time, 1662 and 1676, Rebecca Thacher of Queen Camel, England, and her nephew, by marriage, were both using the same coat-of-arms, the only difference being that the seal used in England had the crest of a grasshopper resting on a helmet. The simultaneous use of the same armorial insignia by two branches of the same family, one in England and one in America, gives us the necessary clue in establishing the right of the American branch to use the English Thacher coat-of-arms here above described. No link in the argument is lacking to in any way render it anything but positive.

It is now to be determined to what particular Thacher-Thatcher family in England these above described arms belonged, in order to determine if possible the original cradle of the family in England.

In *Burke's General Armory* (edition of 1844) we find the following description of the Thacher arms which I quote in full, viz.:

"Thatcher (Essex and Sussex)—Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief or, three grasshoppers proper."

"Thatcher (the same arms)—Crest, a Saxon sword, or sceaux, proper."

"Thatcher (Ringmer, County Sussex), visitation of 1634—Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief of the last (*i. e.* argent), three grasshoppers azure."

"Thatcher—Gules on a cross moline argent, a crescent; on a chief or three birds volant, azure."

In *Fairbairns' Crests* (edition of 1905), the crest of the Thatchers of Essex is thus described, viz.:

"A Saxon sword or seax, proper" (see volume of plates, No. 171, No. 2).

In Vermont's *America Heraldica*, p. 117, we find the following extract, viz.:

"Thatcher:—Here is a clear pedigree from Rev. Thacher (or Thatcher), born in 1620, and belonging *without contest* to the Thatcher's of Ringmer, Co. Sussex, originally of County Essex (visitation of 1634). The arms we give are found on the seal of a letter written in 1676 by the first Thomas Thacher of Boston, to his son Peter, then in London. Said seal still exists. Arms: Gules, across moline argent; on a chief or, three grasshoppers proper. Crests: (*a*) A Saxon sword proper. (*b*) A grasshopper proper."

From the *Visitations of Sussex, 1530 and 1633-4*, we obtain the following references:

p. 217, "Thatcher of Warbill—Gules across moline argent, a chief or."

p. 217, "Thetcher—Gules, across moline argent, on a chief of the second (*i. e.* argent) three grasshoppers vert."

pp. 53-54, "John Thetcher of Ringmer in County Sussex, quartered with the arms of Lewknor. 1st quartering:—Gules, a cross moline argent, on a chief of the second (*i. e.* argent) three grasshoppers vert."

p. 209, "—— Thacher of Presthawes, Esq., quartered with the arms of Piers. Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief or, three grasshoppers vert."

From a *Complete Body of Heraldry*, a large folio volume of the 18th Century apparently (title page and date missing), on file in the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society's Library, a work of much evident erudition, we find:

"Thatcher: Gules, on a cross moline argent, a crescent; on a chief or, three birds volant, azure."

It would be possible to quote indefinitely from English authorities numerous other instances of the authorization and use of armorial insignia by various members of the Thacher-Thatcher family in that country, but were we to do so it would result in a multiplication of citations, all of which could properly be grouped under the general headings quoted above.

From all of the above citations we see that the arms borne by the Thachers-Thatchers in England group themselves into two classes, viz.:

1st class, which is subdivided into three groups, viz.:

a—Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief or, three grasshoppers proper.

b—Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief argent, three grasshoppers azure.

c—Gules, a cross moline argent: on a chief argent, three grasshoppers vert.

2nd class—Gules on a cross moline argent a crescent; on a chief or, three birds volant azure.

As regards the 1st class, the three subdivisions form in reality but two, dependent upon the metal of the chief. In one case it being given as or and in the other as argent. As regards the color of the grasshoppers, it would depend simply upon the interpretation of the term "proper" (*i. e.* natural color), and by some the proper color of a grasshopper would be regarded as "vert" (green), and by others as "azure" (blue). In point of fact the natural color of a grasshopper varies in shade all the way from yellow, through green to bluish green and to blue or azure.

As regards the 2nd class of arms, it would seem that the Thachers in England using such insignia formed an offshoot less numerous of the general stock, to whom had been granted certain modifications and augmentation of the arms originally granted to the family.

It is distinctly evident that the Thachers of the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the Somerset, England, family, grouped themselves in the 1st class, which has for its special armorial distinction the grasshopper. The evidence which we have presented herein connecting the Yarmouth-Boston-Queen Camel, England, Thachers with the 1st class, consists entirely of impressions in wax made by seals in the possession of various members of the family on both sides of the water. These impressions are absolute and perfect evidence in so far as the form and character of the arms are concerned, but being but impressions in wax are not positive evidence as to tinctures and metals used in the coloring of the arms unless the seals used were conventionally engraved to heraldicly represent such colors. As far back as 1854, in describing the seal on the above quoted letter of 1676, the chief of the arms on the seal is described as being or, and the description of the seal on the will of Rebecca Thacher of Queen Camel, England, distinctly states that the chief is or, and moreover gives us the distinct statement that the crest, a grasshopper, rests upon a helmet, and in the cut accompanying the description of this seal the helmet is drawn in profile with visor closed, which in heraldry indicates that the bearer of such arms was an Esquire or Gentleman. Hence we have the direct evidence in all neces-

Front View

Front Side View

Rear Side View

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THATCHER ARMS

According to Selleck's *Norwalk*

sary details that the arms of the Thacher-Thatcher family descended from Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth, and his nephew Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Boston, are as follows, viz.:

Gules, a cross moline argent; on a chief or, three grasshoppers, proper.

Crest: A grasshopper, proper, resting upon a helmet visor closed in profile, proper.

The statement quoted above from Vermont's *America Heraldica* that the Yarmouth-Boston Thachers are descended from the Thachers of Ringmer, Co. Sussex, England, I do not think to be established by the evidence, as the field of their arms was argent. It would seem more probable that they were of the same stock as —— Thacher of Presthawes, who used the same arms except that the chief was or.

In our searches we have been able to positively trace the Yarmouth-Boston Thacher family back to 1574, when they were located in Queen Camel, England. The Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel is the earliest known progenitor of this family, and although we have, as given above, distinct evidence of his right to bear arms, yet it has been impossible to establish his direct connection genealogically with the Sussex Thatchers, owing to the fact that the Parish and Diocesan Records of Somersetshire are very imperfect, if not totally lacking previous to about 1600. The absence of these local records in no way, however, invalidates the claim that the Somersetshire Thachers and the Sussex Thachers are of the same original stock, which the common use of the same armorial insignia establishes beyond peradventure.

Much endeavor has been made to ascertain the significance of the grasshopper on the Thacher arms; but to my knowledge no satisfactory conclusion has been reached on the subject. From the fact that the grasshopper appears as a permanent feature of the ornamental iron work of the Royal Exchange in London, investigation has been conducted in that direction, developing the fact that the grasshopper which appears there is significant of the connection of the Gresham family with the establishment of the Royal Exchange, but no connection has been proven between the Gresham and Thacher-Thatcher families.

In Selleck's *History of Norwalk*, p. 469, there is given a cut of the Thacher coat-of-arms, supposed by him to represent the proper arms to be used by the Norwalk, Conn., Thachers. These Norwalk Thachers are all descendants of Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass., and hence are entitled to use the arms as described above. The arms given in Selleck are as per the accompanying plate and are not those which the Norwalk Thachers should display. Mr. Selleck accepted what was supposed by his correspondents to be a correct representation of the Thacher arms; but their conclusions were drawn from insufficient study of the family history. The story of this coat-of-arms is as follows: In the early part of the 19th century, Daniel Thatcher of Bridgeport, Conn., while abroad in England, became interested in

Thacher family history and there picked up in his travels an earthenware pitcher, bearing as decoration on one side (see plate) the Thatcher coat-of-arms as described above as arms of the 2nd class, and in front the name Anthony Thatcher, and on the other side a rural sketch of a landscape including ruins of an ancient structure of some architectural importance. He also obtained, from some source unknown, the description of the arms given in Selleck. As Daniel Thatcher's brother's name was Anthony Thatcher (of New London, Conn., the grandfather of the writer of this article), he brought the pitcher back to this country and presented it to him, and it is now by gift the property of the author of this article. From the description of the Thatcher arms obtained by Daniel Thatcher while in England, his son George W. Thatcher of St. Louis, Missouri, had painted a colored representation of the same, from a photograph of which painting the cut in Selleck's *Norwalk* was made. From whom Mr. Selleck obtained the photograph I cannot state. I have a copy of the photograph myself, but have never regarded it as in any way authoritative. The armorial description of these arms is as follows:

"Gules, on a cross moline argent, a crescent; on a field or, three birds volant." Crest a bird volant, resting on a mitre. Motto: "*Cedant Arma Togæ, Concedat Laurea Linguæ.*" Which motto by liberal translation would read: "The power of arms yielding to that of the church, let the eloquence of the pulpit take the place of arbitrament of force." The evident argument of this coat-of-arms is that some Thatcher in the past laid aside his knightly right to bear arms and assumed the gown of a priest.

Whereas the arms themselves as given in Selleck and on the pitcher are well recognized in England as arms of a certain branch of the Thatcher family, yet I have never in any authority on the subject seen any crest of a mitre, either mentioned, much less authorized, and I can give no credence whatever to the right of any Thacher-Thatchers in this country to use such insignia. Certainly no Thacher of the Yarmouth-Boston family have any claim to use it.

Much emphasis is placed by the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the Thacher-Thatcher family on the spelling of the family name. The large majority of them claiming that the correct spelling of the name is Thacher, and they so spell it today. From a careful study of the facts of the case, I find the emigrant ancestors of the Yarmouth-Boston family and possibly four successive generations did so spell it. Subsequently to these five generations there has sprung up a change in the spelling of the name, the majority of those who continued to dwell in Boston and on the Cape have retained the spelling "Thacher," while those living in other parts of this country spell the name "Thatcher." In England the records show that the prevalent spelling of the name in all localities and at all times has been "Thatcher," and the exception is to spell it "Thacher."

THACHER-THATCHER GENEALOGY

Part II.

ORIGIN OF NAME

[illegible] ORIGIN OF THE
[illegible] BOSTON BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN
THACHER-THATCHER FAMILY

[illegible]
[illegible] BRANCH OF THE [illegible] BOSTON
THACHER [illegible] FAMILY

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YARMOUTH-BOSTON BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN
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GENEALOGY OF THE
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Origin of the Name.

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By the consensus of opinion of all authorities on the origin of surnames, that of the Thacher-Thatcher family is regarded as one of those that were in the first instance bestowed upon the original bearer thereof on account of the nature of his occupation. To quote from "Our English Surnames, their Sources and Significations," by Charles Waring Bardsley, M.A., London, n.d., p. 210, we have as follows:

"The early husbandman required but little decorative refinement for his homestead. To keep out the cold blast and driving rain, to have a niche by the fireside, comfortable and warm, this was all he wished or asked for. His roof was all but invariably composed of *thack* or *thatch;* and every village had its *thatcher.* Busy indeed would he be as the late autumn drew nigh, and stack and stead must be shielded from the keen and chilling winter. The Hundred Roll forms of the surname are *le Thacher,* and *le Thachere;* the Parliamentary Writs give *le Thacher;* while the more modern directory furnishes us with such changes rung upon the same as *Thatcher, Thacker* (still a common provincialism for the occupation), and *Thackery, Thakeray,* or *Thackuray.* A John *Thaxter* is met with in a college register for 1567 (Hist. C. C. Coll. Cam.): and far earlier in the Parliamentary Writs we light upon Thomas *Thackstere* (this is one more instance of the feminine termination). That the word itself was in familiar use is proved by the fact that in the ordinance arranging the Norwich Trades Procession, we find among others the *Thaxteres* marching in company with the *Rederes,* (History of Norwalk, vol. iii). As a surname the term still survives."

The numerous English variants of this family surname are as follows: *Thacher, Thecher, Theccher, Thatcher, Thetcher, Thacker, le Thacher, le Thachare, le Thecher, le Thachere, Thaxter, Thackstere, Thackery, Thackeray, Thackuray, Thackara,* and *Thackaru.*

Of all the forms of the surname found in the early English history of the family, there seems to have survived up to the present time in appreciable numbers only the following forms of spelling, viz.:—*Thatcher, Thacher, Thacker, Thaxter,* and *Thackeray,*—the survivals being here given in the order of their frequency of occurrence. It seems to be undoubted that all of the various family groups whose surnames are here given derived their patronymic

originally from the nature of the occupation of the founder of that particular group from whom they specifically descended: *i.e.*, a *thacher, thatcher* or *thacker,* or one who *thaches, thatches* or *thacks.* The variation of surname in each instance is due to the local modification of the term used to designate such occupation. While it is not impossible, yet it is highly improbable, that all of those who bear these various forms of the family surname did spring from a common ancestor. It is far more probable that the numerous groups of the family sprang into independent existence (at least some of them) in separate and distinct parts of England at different or possibly simultaneous periods of English history.

To determine positively how the surname of the original common ancestor of the family, (if there was such a common ancestor), was spelt is impossible; and we can at best form but a weak conjecture. It would seem best for us then to set forth here the facts collected from the records in England and in this country bearing upon the subject from which we may draw our conclusions; and for clearness sake we will work backwards from known sources of information.

1st. Antony[2] *Thacher* of Yarmouth, Mass. (1588-9-1667), by seniority of generation the earliest known representative of the Somerset County, England, branch of the family known to have come to this country, spelt his name *Thacher.* Numerous of his signatures have been handed down to posterity, and a facsimile of the same may be seen in Swift's "Old Yarmouth" on pp. 90-91. The records of the parish church St. Edmund's in Salisbury, England, also refer to him as Antony *Thacher,* during the time of his acting as curate of that parish, 1631-1635; and during that period in the entries made in the parish register by him, (he evidently acting as parish clerk), his signature is invariably Antony *Thacher;* and in the records of the birth of his children and death of his first wife his name is also invariably given as *Thacher.* In the Diocesan Register of Bath and Wells, (to be found at Wells, Somerset, England), under the head of Queen Camel we find him referred to as Anthonie *Thacher* under the date of February 7th, 1621. His descendants on Cape Cod and elsewhere for several generations adhered exclusively to this form of spelling, until shortly subsequent to 1700 when we find that branches of his line settled in sections of the country remote from Cape Cod began inserting the second *"t"* in their name; and we have instances where one brother spelled his name *Thacher* and another *Thatcher;* while they both descended from the above Antony[2] *Thacher* and were undoubtedly children of the same parents.

2nd. Rev. Thomas[3] *Thacher* of Old South Church, Boston, a nephew of the above Antony[2] *Thacher,* spelled his name invariably *Thacher* and his descendants may be said to have followed the same custom with marked regularity, with here and there an exception (as in the Antony[2] line), where subsequent to 1700 some isolated families of this branch inserted the second *"t"* and spelled their name *Thatcher.*

3rd. Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* (brother of Antony[2] *Thacher*) was rector of St. Edmund's parish church, of Sarum, (Salisbury), England, from 1622 till his death in 1640-1. In the record of the baptisms of that church all of his children born in Salisbury are entered, and in the cases of the baptisms of his first three children there born in 1623, 1625, and 1627, respectively (Martha, Elizabeth and John), they are entered as children of Mr. Peeter *Thatcher.* This I account for as due to the fact that the entries were made not by Peter[2] *Thacher* himself, but by the clerk of the parish, and the general and popular spelling of his name was *Thatcher,* while he himself spelled it *Thacher.* Subsequent to the last date mentioned, 1627, and sometime between then and 1634, Antony[2] *Thacher* became curate of this parish, and acted as parish clerk; and from then thereafter in all entries referring to either Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* or Antony[2] *Thacher,* the name is invariably spelled *Thacher.* In the parish register of St. Edmund's we find under date of March 26th, 1636, his signature, Peter *Thacher,* and under date of April 24th, 1640 (his last signature in the Register) Peter *Thacher.*

Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* made his will February 1st, 1640-1, and it was probated August 5th, 1641, and is on file in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, where it can still be seen. The copy which is open for ordinary inspection is indexed under the name of *Thatcher,* and in the body of the instrument his name appears many times as Peter *Thatcher,* and the copy is signed "Peter *Thatcher.*" The ordinary observer would therefore be lead to suppose, finding the name thus spelled in so important a document, that *Thatcher* was the correct spelling of the name. Such, however, was not the belief of Mr. Thomas *Thacher* of New York City (son of Prof. Thomas Anthony *Thacher* of Yale College), who after inspecting the copy of the will asked for permission to inspect the original will itself, which request was granted; and he states to me in regard to the original will as follows: "It is a long document and has attached to it a schedule of books; the schedule as well as the will being signed. The will is not in the testator's handwriting. The name appears in the body of the will uniformly as *"Thatcher";* but in the two signatures (as clear as if written yesterday by a scrivener) the name is *Thacher."* From the fact that the will was written by another and not by himself we see how the popular and more customary method of spelling his name appears in the body thereof; but the signature even now clear and unquestioned on the most important document of his life, seems the strongest evidence as to his deliberate belief as to what was the proper spelling of his family name, which he thus testifies to as being *"Thacher."*

Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* died on February 16th, 1640-1, and was buried in St. Edmund's churchyard, where his tombstone still stands. The inscription on this tombstone (which inscription was undoubtedly composed by his dear friend Francis Dove, warden of his church) gives his name as Peter *Thatcher;* but this spelling of his name is only another instance of the popular spelling of his family

surname as opposed to the frequent spelling of it by himself as *Thacher.*

Previous to settling as rector of St. Edmund's Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* was vicar of Milton Clevedon, County Somerset, England; and while there his child, John[3] *Thacher,* died and was buried in the church there; a stone that once marked his grave under the aisle of the church has since been removed and is now set in the outer wall of the church as an ornamentation. On this slab the name is plainly inscribed John *Thacher,* which is another bit of evidence as to the spelling of the family name by Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher,* who undoubtedly composed the inscription. In the record of his institution as vicar of Milton Clevedon, which record is not in his handwriting, he is spoken of as Peter *Thatcher;* and he is likewise spoken of in the announcement of the institution of his successor in 1623: these two instances are again examples of how his name was popularly spelled by others; and in opposition to this spelling he signs his name, June 13th, 1622, to the death record of his son, John[3] *Thacher,* in the Parish Register of Milton Clevedon as Peter *Thacher.* In his ordination papers both as deacon and priest he is recorded as Peter *Thatcher;* but as these papers were prepared and written by others than himself and do not bear his signature they are but examples of the popularly accepted spelling of his name, and are not to be accepted as evidence of his own particular way of spelling it. In the record of his matriculation at Oxford, which appears in two of the books of record there, he is in one entered as Peter *Thacher* and in another as Peter *Thatcher.*

We thus see that beyond cavil Rev. Peter[2] *Thacher* habitually signed his name *Thacher,* and undoubtedly regarded that as the proper spelling of his patronymic; while the popular and general method of spelling the name even at that period was *Thatcher.*

4th. John[2] *Thacher,* of Queen Camel, County Somerset, England (brother of Rev. Peter[2], and of Antony[2] *Thacher*) in his nuncupative will dated February 21st, 1653, and proved July 19th, 1655, by his widow, who was executrix, is described as John *Thacher;* and on his tombstone in middle aisle of St. Barnabas' Church, in Queen Camel, he is called John *Thacher.* His wife, Rebecca *Thacher,* is likewise buried there, and on her tombstone she is called Rebecca wife of John *Thacher.* His wife Rebecca made her will dated August 20th, 1662, which was proved April 18th, 1669, at Wells, Somerset, England; in this will her name is spelled *Thacher;* and her name written to accompany her mark is given as Rebeckha *Thacher.* Her mark being the heretofore mentioned seal of the *Thacher* arms (see N. Y. G. & B. Record, April, 1910). Everything in the history of this particular family proves that they regarded their family name as *Thacher.*

5th. Giles[2] *Thacher* (brother of Peter[2], Antony[2], and John[2] *Thacher*) died at Queen Camel, and in the Diocesan Records of Queen Camel, filed at Wells, Somerset, England, he is recorded as Giles *Thacher.* As he died young his name was recorded by his

parents and must be according to their understanding of the proper spelling.

6th. Thomas[2] *Thacher* (brother of Peter[2], Antony[2], John[2], and Giles[2]) lived in Queen Camel; he married at Queen Camel Sept. 24th, 1621, Marie Lokier, who survived him and to whom letters of administration were granted on his estate November 7th, 1650. In these letters of administration he is called Thomas *Thatcher,* and she Marie *Thatcher,* widow. She, however, was a witness on February 21st, 1653, to the nuncupative will of her brother-in-law, John[2] *Thacher,* in which instrument she signs her name with a mark as Marie *Thacher.*

Thus we see that all of the children of Rev. Peter[1] *Thacher,* of Queen Camel, give evidence of their firm belief that their family name was correctly spelled *Thacher.*

7th. Rev. Peter[1] *Thacher,* vicar of St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, 1574-1624, and father of Peter[2], Antony[2], John[2], Giles[2], and Thomas[2] *Thacher,* signs the Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel parish records, recorded at Wells, in the name of Peter *Thacher,* and such must have been his belief of the true spelling of his name, as his signature appears frequently on this transcript of the parish register of Queen Camel, and is always so spelled. However, in the record of his installation as Vicar of Queen Camel in 1574, and likewise in the record of the installation of his successor in 1624, he is called Peter *Thatcher,* which is but another and the first instance in which the popular spelling of his name is used when written by some one other than himself; as of course the record of his installation is not in his handwriting, nor can that of his successor be. We think therefore that there is here furnished evidence of the undoubted fact that the original spelling of the patronymic of the Yarmouth-Boston Thacher family was *Thacher;* and that all descendants of this line are justified in so spelling it. Those who have altered the original spelling by introducing the second "*t*" have done so without the authority of justified precedent.

8th. The branch of the *Thatcher* family represented by the descendants of Samuel[1] *Thatcher* of Watertown, Mass., have always invariably spelled their name *Thatcher* from the original Samuel[1] to the present day. This Samuel[1] *Thatcher* appears in Watertown as a freeman in 1642; whence he came has never to my knowledge been ascertained. He is not known to have been in any way related to the Antony[2] *Thacher* or Rev. Thomas[3] *Thacher* families in Massachusetts, and strange to relate, although living contemporaneously in neighborhoods quite accessible one to another, there is no record extant of there ever having been any interchange of visits or intermingling of blood between the descendants of Samuel[1] *Thatcher* of Watertown, Mass., and the descendants of either Antony[2] of Yarmouth, or Rev. Thomas[3] *Thacher* of Old South Church, Boston. The descendants of Samuel[1] *Thatcher* of Watertown, Mass., form a group as yet, so far as my knowledge of the subject extends, unattached to any particular English stock, and of no known connection with any other group in the United States.

9th. The Pennsylvania *Thatchers* represented by the descendants of Richard[1] *Thatcher* and Joane his wife, who first appeared in this country in 1685 from Uffington, County Berks, England, (a distinctly Quaker family), have always spelled their name *Thatcher;* and from this line spring the West Virginia *Thatchers* and more recently the Utah *Thatchers,* prominent in the Mormon hierarchy.

10th. The New Jersey *Thatchers,* apparently a group separate and distinct from the Pennsylvania family, and who seem to have had their origin in this country in Hunterdon County, N. J., have always spelled their name *Thatcher.*

The above mentioned groups comprise, as far as my careful investigation of the subject shows, all of the important branches of the family in America,—leaving out of consideration a few smaller groups of comparatively recent appearance in this country, which latter groups seem all to spell their name *Thatcher.*

From an analysis of the foregoing remarks, it would seem to be established that the only branch of the *Thacher-Thatcher* family in this country which did, does, and should spell their name *Thacher* is that which is represented by the descendants of Antony[2] *Thacher* of Yarmouth, and of his nephew, Rev. Thomas[3] *Thacher* of Old South Church, Boston.

All of the others invariably spell their name *Thatcher.* However, inasmuch as the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the family was first established in this country (1635); and also as it is probably the most numerous of all of the distinct groups, I have concluded to give it's spelling of the family name precedence in these articles, which I shall call the genealogy of the *Thacher-Thatcher* family.

Yet, despite this conclusion, it is quite evident that if we take the aggregate of the descendants of all of the other combined groups of the family in this country who spell their name *Thatcher,* they will far outnumber the descendants of the Yarmouth-Boston family.

ENGLISH ORIGIN OF THE YARMOUTH-BOSTON BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN THACHER-THATCHER FAMILY.

In seeking to trace backward to the place of origin of the Thacher-Thatcher family, represented in America by the descendants of Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass., and of his nephew, Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Old South Church, Boston, Mass., we are guided by unquestioned evidence to Somersetshire, England; and there we are brouhgt to a stand-still as far as positive evidence is at present obtainable. It has been up to date impossible to trace the progenitors of this branch of the family further back than a positive ancestor, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, who resided in Queen Camel, County Somerset, England, and who was vicar of St. Barnabas' Church there from 1574 until his death in 1624.

This positive ancestor, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, was installed as vicar of St. Barnabas' Church at Queen Camel on December 4th, 1574, as will be seen in his detailed genealogical record to be given hereafter. The laws of the Church of England at that time (and

possibly also at the present time) required that a candidate for orders in the church should be over twenty-three years of age to be ordained a deacon; and also decreed that he could not be ordained a full priest until two years thereafter. Assuming therefore that the Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was installed as Vicar of Queen Camel shortly after his taking his orders as a priest, he must have been at least twenty-five years old on December 4th, 1574; and hence he was born at least twenty-five years previous to that date, or in 1549 at the latest, and probably a few years earlier. This therefore fixes the earliest date to which we can trace the family with our present information as somewhere between 1545 and 1549. Yet we are still left in doubt as to what was the place of residence of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher previous to his installation at Queen Camel, nor have we been able to locate his birth place.

By an examination of the records still extant of the various parishes of Somersetshire, and also of the transcripts of these Registers in the Diocesan Registry at Wells, in Somerset, and also of the Probate records of that county; we perceive that during the period of the incumbency of the Vicarage of Queen Camel by Rev. Peter[1] Thacher (as well as previous thereto, and subsequent thereto, through the 17th century), there were many Thachers living in Somerset County, some of whom may have been his progenitors or at least his relatives. However, owing to the fact that the parish registers (and Diocesan transcripts of the same) of the various localities in which these various Thachers lived, are very imperfect and in some cases non-existent covering the latter half of the 16th century; and also due to the fact that the probate records of Somerset County covering that same period, are also lacking or very imperfect, it has been impossible to connect Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel indisputably with any genealogical antecedents in Somerset, Dorset, Wilts or Berks, contiguous counties, in which there existed at that time a numerous settlement of Thachers. Nor has it been possible to definitely establish his genealogical connection with the Sussex Thatchers, with whom he was undoubtedly connected, as we have shown previously that his descendants made use of the same armorial insignia as did the Thatchers of Sussex. It is well to remark here that the parish, diocesan, and probate records of this section of England (Somerset, Dorset, Wilts, and Berks) have not up to the present time been carefully compiled and printed, as they have been in many other sections of that country; and therefore the possibility exists that with more perfect and complete publication of these valuable records (many of which are kept filed in non-sequential bundles in their places of deposit) in the future the coming Thacher genealogist may be able to trace the antecedents of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher from Somerset back through Berks to Sussex and thence to Essex County, where are found the earliest records of any of the name. Such a task will be the agreeable occupation of my successor. It is my object to record the facts as known to-day to guide those who follow in my footsteps.

The argument by means of which I definitely locate this first known ancestor, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher in Queen Camel is as follows:

Thomas[3] Thacher of Old South Church, Boston, is known to have been the son of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, England; and he is also known to have been the nephew of Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass.

Antony[2] Thacher of Yarmouth is known to have been the brother of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmunds; and to have been at one time a curate under his brother, Rev. Peter[2], in St. Edmund's, Salisbury. We therefore have two brothers, Rev. Peter[2] and Antony[2], located together in Salisbury previous to 1635: Antony[2] as late as 1634, and Rev. Peter[2] until his death, 1640-1. The next question naturally is, where did they come from? The ordination papers of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, both as deacon and as priest (copies of which will be found under his specific record) state that he was born in Queen Camel, County Somerset, England; and it is a fair inference that his brother, Antony[2], was also born there; as in those days children were more likely to be born at home than it is in these days of easy transportation, and consequent frequent absences from the home roof. We find that Antony[2] Thacher's daughter, Edith[3], was baptized at St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, February 7th, 1621-2, by Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, vicar of the parish; this being the same Edith[3] who was drowned in the historic shipwreck of Antony[2] Thacher off the Massachusetts coast, August 15th, 1635. This St. Barnabas' Church was the church over which the Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was vicar; and it is more than probable that Antony[2] Thacher was a curate there under his father up to the time of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher's death in 1624, as he was likewise a curate subsequently under his brother, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, at St. Edmund's, Salisbury.

Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's, in his will dated February 1, 1640-1, leaves a bequest to his brother, John[2] Thacher, whose place of residence is not mentioned in said will. I find a John Thacher living in Queen Camel at that time, and who survived Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of Salisbury. This John Thacher of Queen Camel died between February 21st and 25th, 1653, as on the former date he made his will and on the latter date he was buried in St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, under the middle aisle of said church. This John Thacher of Queen Camel left a widow, Rebecca. who in her will dated August 20th, 1662, specifically directs that she "be buried in the parish church (St. Barnabas') of Queen Camel, by my late husband and his relatives." She was so buried on December 11th, 1662, and the fact is recorded on same slab in middle aisle of church that marks her husband's resting-place. Affixed to her will there is a wax impression of a seal bearing the arms of the Thachers of Presthawes, Sussex, England, which gives positive proof of the existence of a connection existing between the Somerset and Sussex Thachers, although I have been unable to trace genealogically what that connection was. Again, Peter Thacher, son of the above John Thacher,

and of Rebecca his wife, in his will, dated November 24th, 1669, directs that he "be buried in the parish church of Queen Camel, near the place where my late deceased father was buried." This Peter Thacher was buried as directed December 9th, 1669, and his resting-place is recorded on same slab with that of his father and mother,—the mother stating that she was to be buried "near her husband and his relatives." What is more likely than that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, vicar of St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, 1574-1624, was the father of this John Thacher of Queen Camel, and that hence this John Thacher was the brother, John[2] Thacher, mentioned in the will of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's, Salisbury? A close scrutiny of the existing register and probate records of Somerset reveal no other John Thacher living 1640-1 (the date of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's will) who could have been the brother of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher; which fact strengthens the circumstantial evidence that they were brothers. Moreover the connection by birth of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's with Queen Camel, and his subsequent incumbency, 1616-1622, of the vicarage of Milton-Clevedon, Somerset, a parish only twelve (12) miles from Queen Camel; and the fact that the John Thacher who lived at Queen Camel survived Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's, and hence would be a proper beneficiary under the latter's will, made February 1st, 1640-1, render it circumstantially indisputable that this John Thacher of Queen Camel was the brother John[2] Thacher mentioned in the will.

The Diocesan transcript of the Parish Register of Queen Camel (very incomplete, the earliest date of which is 1601) gives the following record signed by Peter Thacher, vicar, viz.:—

"August 3rd, 1602, Giles, son of Peter Thacher, was buried."

This entry establishes the fact that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, vicar of Queen Camel, was married and had a son, Giles; and being married there is nothing inconsistent with our foregoing argument that this Giles was the brother of Rev. Peter[2], Antony[2], and John[2] aforementioned. We have no record of the birth of this Giles[2] Thacher, and we have no means except by inference, of establishing it. Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was born 1687-8, as is shown by his matriculation papers and his ordination papers. Antony[2] Thacher is known to have been born in 1688-9; as he was a curate under his brother it is fair to assume that he was younger than Rev. Peter[2] Thacher; and it is authoritatively stated that he was *about* eighty years old when he died in 1667. A John Thacher matriculated at Queen's College, Oxford, from Somerset October 19th, 1604, son of a clergyman, at the age of 13, hence he was born in 1690-1; and we assume this John Thacher of Oxford to be the John[2] Thacher of Queen Camel, a younger brother of Rev. Peter[2] and Antony[2]. Giles[2] Thacher was probably a still younger brother who died while still a youth of not more than 10 years of age.

Thomas[2] Thacher lived and died in Queen Camel; his date of birth we have no record of and we record him as the youngest son;

however, as the parish and diocesan transcripts of records of Queen Camel give no records previous to 1601, and as his birth is not recorded subsequent to that date, he may have been born previous to that date; and hence his position as regards date of birth among these children may be in error. He married at Queen Camel September 20th, 1621, Marie Lokier, the marriage record being entered in the Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel parish register at Wells and the entry signed by Peter Thacher, vicar. Administration on his estate was granted November 7th, 1650, to Marie Thacher his widow; hence he died previous to that date. This same Marie Thacher was witness to her brother-in-law John[2] Thacher's will, February 21st, 1653.

There is not one single item of positive evidence inconsistent with the hypothesis that these five—Rev. Peter[2], Antony[2], John[2], Giles[2], and Thomas[2] Thacher—were all sons of the same father.

The next question in sequence is, who was the father of these five (5) children? We have it recorded that Giles[2] Thacher was the son of Peter Thacher in the Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel Register at Wells. The only Thacher whatever, and more emphatically the only Peter Thacher, living at Queen Camel at the time covered by the births of these five children, of whom we have absolute record, is Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, vicar of Queen Camel Parish Church from 1574 to 1624. Therefore in the absence of the positive evidence of Queen Camel parish register, which does not exist, to cover that period (the earliest date in existing register being 1629), and the diocesan transcript of same not extending back of 1601, we think that the circumstantial evidence of the birth of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at Queen Camel; the residence of his brother, Antony[2] Thacher there in 1621; the mention of a brother John[2] Thacher in Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's will in 1640-1, which brother, John[2] Thacher, we have shown to have been living at that time in Queen Carmel; the burial of this John[2] Thacher and his wife and child (Rebecca Thacher and Peter[3] Thacher) in the church at Queen Camel, the two latter buried near this same John[2] Thacher and his relatives; the residence, death and burial of Giles[2] Thacher at Queen Camel; and the residence and death of Thomas[2] Thacher at Queen Camel; taken together with the fact that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was the incumbent vicar of that parish from 1574 to 1624;—all of these facts we hold point to the inevitable conclusion that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, vicar of St. Barnabas' Church at Queen Camel from 1574 to 1624, was the father of these five (5) children; and that as vicar of said church he was probably buried there himself, although we have no record of the fact, nor is his grave so marked that at this day we can distinguish it. The now unmarked graves of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher and his wife and that of his son, Giles[2] Thacher, being the graves of the "relatives" near whom Rebecca Thacher (widow of John[2]) requests in her will of August 20, 1662, to be buried near unto. We venture to assume that as children of the deceased Vicar, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, the right of burial in St. Barnabas' Church was probably inherited by them all, or at least

for such reason it was conceded to John[2] Thacher and his wife and child.

The non-existence of the Parish Register of St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, from 1574 to 1624 is the link that is lacking which would render this chain of overwhelming circumstantial evidence positive proof.

All Thacher genealogists who have studied this problem recently have at some time in their research inclined to the belief that the Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel was the father of Peter[2], Antony[2], John[2], Giles[2], and Thomas[2] Thacher. The only fact that has ever shaken this belief is that in the Register of Matriculation at Oxford, in the entry of the name of Peter[2] Thacher, he is described as *"plebei filius"; i. e.,* one of the humbler classes of life, instead of being entered as son of a cleric, or priest of the Church of England, as he undoubtedly was. The argument being that if this Peter Thacher of Oxford had been the son of the Vicar of Queen Camel he would not have entered his name in the register of Queen's College, Oxford as *"plebei filius,"* but as son of a clergyman. Those who advanced this argument against Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel being the father of the Peter Thacher who matriculated at Queen's College, Oxford, May 6th, 1603, did so before the ordination papers of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's, Salisbury, had been discovered. The discovery of these ordination papers, which state Queen Camel to have been the place of his birth, seem to emphatically refute the force of such argument in the face of the strong array of circumstantial evidence in favor of such parentage.

It is a well known fact, admitted by English antiquarians of to-day, that it was by no means unusual for students at that period in entering their names for matriculation at Oxford to under-rate the social status of their parents in order to avail themselves of lower matriculation and other college fees, which fees were arranged upon a sliding scale dependent upon the more or less prominent social standing of the student's parents.

What more natural then than for Peter[2] Thacher to enter his name on the college rolls as *"plebei filius"?* He was, in fact, the son of a poor country vicar of a parish of strong Puritan tendencies; and his father was undoubtedly in very moderate circumstances, which obliged him to strain every point to enable him to send his son to college at all. This son Peter[2] enters Queen's College May 6th, 1603; and on July 19th, 1603, he transfers from Queen's College to Corpus Christi College, in the same university. Subsequently, on October 19th, 1604, John[2] Thacher, from Somerset, brother of Peter[2] Thacher, matriculates at Queen's College, Oxford; and he is described upon the register as son of a clergyman. It is this fact of Peter[2] Thacher being entered a *"plebei filius"* and John[2] Thacher being entered as son of a clergyman that has lead some to argue that the two could not have been sons of the same parents. With this view of the situation I cannot agree. I think I have circumstantially proved that Peter[2] Thacher, from Somerset, of Queen's College and of Corpus Christi College in 1603,

and subsequently vicar of Milton Clevedon, Somerset, and thereafter rector of St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, was a brother of John[2] Thacher from Somerset and of Queen's College, 1604, and subsequently until his death residing in Queen Camel, Somerset. The description of John[2] Thacher on the matriculation register as son of a clergyman proves him to have been son of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, who was the only Thacher priest of the English church in Somerset at that time. The fact of one entering as *plebei filius* and the other as son of a clergyman is simply a matter of each one's personal temperament and the individual discretion on the part of the one who gave the information at the time of matriculation (either the parent or the son himself). Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was strongly imbued with Puritan ideas, and would doubtless have had, even at that early period in his career, sentiments antagonistic to the accidental advantages of birth, and may have taken the opportunity to emphasize these views. John[2] Thacher, his brother, was undoubtedly less of a Puritan in his view of life than Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, as is shown subsequently in the spirit of his son, Peter[3] Thacher of Queen Camel, who in his will, dated November 24th, 1669, describes himself as a gentleman, a descriptive distinction assumed by no other of the Thachers of Somerset of that period, that I am familiar with. The difference of personal individuality of the two brothers would in my mind fully account for their different self-descriptions on the college register. Moreover, both descriptions were equally true; as, although Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel was a clergyman, yet he was also of a lowly order in the social scale, and his sons could with perfect propriety call themselves either *"plebei filius"* or son of a clergyman, as either one or the other might elect. Again, possibly a betterment in worldly circumstances in 1604 as compared with those of 1603, may have placed the parent in such a condition that in the latter year he may have been able to better afford the increased fees attendant upon his son John[2] Thacher entering in the register as son of a clergyman.

It is upon the above stated premises that I have based my conclusion that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel is the most remote known ancestor to whom the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the family can trace back.

In arriving at this conclusion I have endeavored to state candidly and as fairly as my pen will permit me, the whole case *pro* and *con;* and it must be left for the future to prove the accuracy or fallacy of my belief.

GENEALOGY OF THE ENGLISH BRANCH OF THE YARMOUTH-BOSTON THACHER-THATCHER FAMILY.

1. Rev. Peter[1] Thacher,
   b. at ——; date ——, 1545-9; resided at Queen Camel, County Somerset, England, 1574-1624; Vicar of St. Barnabas' Parish Church there 1574-1624; d. at Queen Camel probably, although we have no record, previous to May 7th, 1624; buried in St.

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Barnabas' Church, probably, although we have no record thereof, —— 1624; m. at ——; date of marriage ——; to ——; b. at ——; date of birth ——; died at ——; date of death ——; who was a daughter of —— and of ——, who resided at ——.
Children 5 (Thacher) sons, all born at Queen Camel.

+2 i. Peter,[2] b. ——, 1587-8; d. February 16th, 1640-1; m. 1st Anne ——; m. 2d Alice Batt.

+3 ii. Anthony,[2] b. ——, 1588-9; d. ——, 1667; m. 1st Mary ——; m. 2d Elizabeth Jones. For continuation of his record see record of American branch of the family.

+4 iii. John,[2] b. ——, 1590-1; d. between February 21st and 25th, 1653; m. Rebecca ——.

5 iv. Giles,[2] b. ——, 1592(?); d. August ——, 1602; buried at Queen Camel, August 3d, 1602; presumably in St. Barnabas' Church; record of his burial is to be seen in the Diocesan transcript of the Parish Register at Wells, Somerset, England, as follows: "1602, Giles sonne of Peter Thacher was buried the 3rd day of August 1602." No issue.

+6 v. Thomas,[2] b. ——, 159-?; d. August ——, 1650; m. 1st Alice ——; m. 2d Marie Lokier.

The first identification of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher with Queen Camel which we have was discovered by Ralph Partridge Emilius Thacher, brother of Hon. Peter Thacher of Newton, Mass., who made extensive Thacher research in England. In searching the records of the British Museum in London for Thacher material he ran across the Hugo manuscripts, which, as explained below, contain the "Institutions of Incumbents of various parishes in Somersetshire," and among them those of Queen Camel. The manuscript thus referred to is catalogued in the British Museum as "Hugo MSS. Ad. 30279, Vol. I, p. 155, East Camel or Queen's Camel." Title, "Institutions of Incumbents in Somersetshire." The manuscript is entirely in Latin, and on the margin at the top of the page (as Mr. Thacher interpreted it) is written "advocate to the abbot of Chrym:" Mr. Thacher saying that his translation of the first word may be incorrect and that it may not be "advocate." It has occurred to me that the proper translation of the word may be "adjoined to," "belonging to," or a dependency of, *i.e.*, under the jurisdiction of the Abbot of Chrym. Following the heading there is written in red ink,—"East Camel, Abbot's Camel." Then follows a list of incumbents in regular order of succession from 1317 until we reach the following entries, viz.:

"1566, May 13th. Will. Waller, cler, per resignation of Leonard Stafford, *ad pres ejusdem* (*i.e.*, on his own presentation.)"

"1574, December 4th, Pet Thatcher, cler *per mort* Will: Waller, *ad pres ejusdem*. Cammell 45."

"1624, May 7th, Joh. Picker, *per mortem* Peter Thatcher, *ad pres* Humf. Mildmay. Mil. Lake p. 138."

and so on, the manuscript continues to June 4th, 1732, and ends on that date with the following entry:

"Carolus Brinsdon, A. B. per resignation of N. W., *ad pres ejusdem.*"

In the same manuscript at the top of one of the pages it is recorded that Queen Camel was taxed at the rate of £10; which means that every incumbent, upon his institution as Vicar, had to give bonds to pay by installment the sum of £10 in recognition of the benefice bestowed upon him. It is to be noted that most of the incumbents succeeding Peter[1] Thacher at Queen Camel are recorded as B.A., or M.A., which gives rise to the question, as yet undetermined, whether Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel was a graduate of a college or not. The fact of there being no B.A., or M.A., after his name is *prima facie* evidence that he was not a college graduate; and yet it may be proven later that he was, and that the record given above is defective to this extent.

From the 40th Report of the Deputy Keeper of Public Records (England) (appx. 2 p. 477), a class of document the examination of which ought on no account be omitted by genealogists, we have the following extract in regard to the "Subsidy Rolls," viz: "The principal value of the 'Subsidy Rolls' is genealogical. The wills containing the names of the persons assessed are extremely valuable as establishing links in pedigrees which without these rolls would be missing. The Americans have used them to a great extent. They can then avail themselves of the Parish Register, a large portion of which they are saved from searching through the assistance of the 'Subsidy Rolls.' The rank in life of the person assessed may also be deduced by the amounts they paid."

In these "Subsidy Rolls" every person instituted to a benefice had to give bonds for the payment by installment of the "First Fruits" of such benefice. Two sureties were required with each bond, and they were naturally in all cases, relations, connections or near friends of the incumbent; thus in many instances giving valuable clues as to family relationship. The kind of information furnished is seen hereafter in the record of the Composition of Peter[1] Thacher, Vicar of East Camel (Queen Camel) in the time of Elizabeth.

Although the First Fruit Composition book (see Part A) fails to elucidate the family connections of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, it is of much interest in bringing to light his connection with Sir Walter Mildmay, and thus stamping Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel as a Puritan of the deepest dye. Sir Walter Mildmay was notorious as a grantee to an enormous extent of the confiscated property of the church, and even more notorious as being more puritanical than the puritans themselves. In his latter days, doubtless under the prick of a

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conscience not altogether dead, he disgorged a trifling portion of his ill-gotten wealth by the foundation of Emanuel College of the University of Cambridge. This college has a portrait of him painted for it in 1588; and the ring, a present from the great Queen Elizabeth, which he is represented as wearing in the portrait, is still in the possession of a descendant of his elder brother. Such being the character of the patron of the living, there can be no doubt as to the puritanism of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, the recipient of the benefice.

The following is the extract from the First Fruits Composition Book (Subsidy Rolls) referring to Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, viz.:

"16th February—17th Elizabeth

Somerset. Este Cammell in the gift of Sir Walter Mildmay Knight.	Peter Thatcher, clerk, compounded for the First Fruits of the Vicarage aforesaid valued at £17. 16sh. 10½d. a tenth thereof 35sh. 8d.		
	Michaelmas.	1575	16li. 9½d.
	Annunciation.	1576	
	Michaelmas	1576	
	Annunciation	1577	

William Doddington of the Middle Temple, London, gent., and Leonard Doddington of the household of Sir Walter Mildmay, Knight, are bound."

This document shows that Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel on the 16th day of February in the 17th year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth paid 35 sh. and 8d. down as part payment of the tax assessed of £17 16 sh. 10½d. on the living of the Vicarage of Queen Camel bestowed upon him by Sir Walter Mildmay; and the bondsmen named guaranteed that he would pay the remainder in four installments, amounting in total to £16 9½d., on the dates above mentioned.

We thus see Rev. Peter[1] Thacher installed as Vicar of Queen Camel, December 4th, 1574, and there he remained as Vicar until his death, exact date of which is unknown, but which must have occurred before May 7th, 1624, the date of the appointment of his successor who was appointed after his death.

The *British Gazeteer* thus describes Queen Camel:

"A parish in the hundred of Cabash in Somerset; 5 miles east of Ilchester, its post town on the river Camel. Formerly a market town of some importance. The living is a vicarate in the Diocese of Bath and Wells; church name St. Barnabas. A hill in the town commands a fine view; forty-one towns and villages may be seen from it."

Where Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was born has not yet been discovered, nor the exact date of his birth; but as I have previously shown he must have been born as early as 1549, and

possibly as early as 1545, in order to have been Vicar of Queen Camel in 1574. Where he lived previous to his installation at Queen Camel is not known. The existence of a large settlement of Thachers in Somerset in the 16th Century points to the possibility of that being the county of his birth, as well as of his residence; but we have no positive proof that such was the case. The presentation to him by Sir Walter Mildmay of the living of Queen Camel, and his First Fruit Composition bond having been signed by a member of Sir Walter's household, points to the possibility that he was well known to Sir Walter; and he may have been born and have resided in the vicinity of Sir Walter's home, and may possibly have been his relative; investigation along this line of suggestion may result in further information on the subject, which time has prevented my doing. The exact date of his death is also unknown; but he died previous to May 7, 1624, on which date his successor was appointed "*per mortem*" Peter Thatcher. Where he was buried is also not a matter of record in any form or shape; but as he was Vicar of St. Barnabas' Church for 50 years, it is almost positive that he was buried in that church; especially so as his son and family are there buried, as is proven by the gravestones still there to their memories. When he married and to whom is also unknown; in fact we have not one item of information in regard to his wife. That he was married, however, is known as the Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel Register gives the record of the burial at Queen Camel on August 3d, 1602, of Giles, son of Peter Thacher. Rev. Peter[1] Thacher's 1st child, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of Salisbury (*i.e.*, 1st child of whom we have definite record) was born 1587-8.

Assuming Rev. Peter[1] Thacher to have been at least 25 years of age when installed at Queen Camel in 1574, he would have been 38 years old at the date of birth of his first known child; an age so advanced as to suggest the birth of children previous to 1587-8, of whom we have no record. It is, therefore, possible that Giles[2] Thacher and Thomas[2] Thacher may both have been born previous to this date; and we have noted our doubt as to the date and sequence of their respective births heretofore.

Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was at Queen Camel as Vicar 1574-1624, full 50 years; and he must have kept some sort of a register of his parish during that long time; but it has disappeared. The first entry of the earliest existing register of that parish is 1629, subsequent to the death of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher. The Diocesan transcript at Wells of the Queen Camel Register contains no entries previous to 1601; and thence on to 1623, inclusive all of the entries therein are signed "Peter Thacher, vicar;" but none of these entries throw any light upon his marriage, nor in any way give any record of his wife.

Such, then, is the record of the first known ancestor of the Yarmouth-Boston branch of the Thacher-Thatcher family.

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2. Rev. Peter[2] Thacher (Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel), b. at Queen Camel, County Somerset, England, 1587-8; resided at Queen Camel till 1603; at Oxford until about 1616; at Milton Clevedon, Somerset until 1622-3, and at Salisbury, County Wilts, England, until his death; he was a priest of the Church of England, fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, Vicar of Milton Clevedon, and Rector of St. Edmund's parish church, Salisbury, England; d. at Salisbury, England, "Sunday at 3 of the clock," February 16th, 1640-1; buried in the church-yard of St. Edmund's, Salisbury, England, where tombstone marks his grave. He m. 1st at ——; date ——; to Anne ——; b. at ——; date of birth ——; d. at Salisbury, England, March 23d, (about) 1634; buried at Salisbury, England, March 26th, 1634, from St. Edmund's Church, and probably interred in the yard of that church, although no stone records the fact. She was a daughter of ——, and of ——, who resided at ——.
Children 7 (Thacher), 4 sons and 3 daughters; place of birth of i. and ii. unknown; iii. and iv. at Milton Clevedon; v. vi. and vii. at Salisbury, England.

7 i. John,[3] b. iv. 12, 1615; d. June ——, 1622; buried June 13th, 1622, at Milton Clevedon. Where he was born is a matter of conjecture; his birth is not recorded at Milton Clevedon; according to the parish register of the church there he died aged 7 years, which would make him b. 1615; and as his father was not installed Vicar of Milton Clevedon until August 9th, 1616, over a year after his birth, it is fair to presume that he was b. before his parents settled at that place. His father previous to settling at Milton Clevedon was a Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, to which fellowship he was appointed March 20th, 1613. Upon marriage a Fellowship was forfeited; and hence as John[3] Thacher was b. iv.-12-1615 (June or July 12th, 1615) his parents must have been married, according to the ordinary laws of nature, previous to October or September, 1614. Therefore Peter[2] Thacher could not have held his Fellowship at Oxford more than a little over a year. The holding of a Fellowship in Oxford suggests residence in that place, and hence the child John[3] may have been born there. Again, his father, Peter[2] Thacher, was ordained deacon and priest in London, the latter ordination taking place June 18th, 1614; and notwithstanding his Oxford fellowship Peter[2] Thacher may have resided in London, and John[3] Thacher may have been b. there. Again, after marrying, his father may have removed from Oxford to his home in Queen Camel, and have lived there up to the time of his installation as Vicar of Milton Clevedon, August 9th, 1616; in which case the child John[3] Thacher may have been b. at the

home of his grandfather, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, at Queen Camel. The non-existence of the Queen Camel Parish Register covering this period makes it, however, impossible for us to state this positively, and the Diocesan transcripts at Wells are silent on the subject. This child was buried either in the church or in the churchyard of Milton Clevedon. A stone slab to the memory of this John[3] Thacher is now (1908) imbedded in the outer wall of that church, which slab, it is believed, once formed a part of the floor of the church. The slab is well engraved in Roman capitals and is perfectly legible and is thus inscribed:

VNDER THAT STONE'S A CH
ILD WRAPT IN EARTH'S MOLD
FOR WHOM CANOT HIS PAR
ENTS GRIEFE BE TOLD.
IN WIT MOST RARE NOE
LESSE IN GRACE WAS HE
THE SOONER FIT WITH
CHRIST IN BLISS TO BE.
JOHN THACHER—BORNE IV. 12. 1615

8 ii. Peter[3], b. ——, 1616 (?); d. ——, subsequent to 1641. It is a noticeable fact that all of the children of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher who were living at the date of the making of his will February 1st, 1640-1, and who were all mentioned in said will, are so mentioned in the sequentional order of their birth, in so far as we have records of the dates of their respective births to verify such statement. The birth of this Peter[3] Thacher is not to be found recorded in the Parish Register of Milton Clevedon, nor in the Diocesan transcript thereof at Wells, nor at St. Edmund's, Salisbury. His brother, John[3] Thacher, was dead at the date of the making of the will and hence was not mentioned therein. These facts, taken in connection with the fact that this Peter[3] Thacher is the first child mentioned in his father's will, leads us to conclude that he was the oldest living child at the time of the making of said will; and that he was b. before his parents settled in Milton Clevedon, between the birth of his brother John[3], who was b. iv.-

12-1615, and that of his brother Thomas[3] who was b. May 1st, 1620. The place of his birth is a matter of conjecture, and subject to the same argument that we have advanced in the foregoing case of his brother John.[3] When we regard the interval existing between the births of John[3] (iv.-12-1615) and that of Thomas[3] (May 1st, 1620), a period of five years, this seems a reasonable assumption, as the average time between the births of the other children of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher by his 1st wife Anne is but two (2) years, which average if it were kept up in the case of Peter[3] Thacher would place the year of his birth about 1616, and hence previous probably to the settlement of his parents in Milton Clevedon, which occurred August 9th, 1616.

This Peter[3] Thacher was undoubtedly alive at the time of the making of his father's will, February 1st, 1640-1, as is evidenced by the terms of that will taken in connection with the fact that the testator d. only two weeks after the will was made. It is most worthy of note that all of the money left by his father to this Peter[3] Thacher and to his brother Thomas[3] Thacher was money which was specifically located at that time in New England, and not in the mother country. That is to say money in the hands of Antony[2] Thacher (Peter[3] Thacher's paternal uncle) then living in Yarmouth, Mass.; and also in the hands of Christopher Batt (Peter[3] Thacher's maternal step-uncle) who was also at that time in the colony of Massachusetts. Note also that Thomas[3] Thacher (brother of this Peter[3]) was likewise at that time in New England. The money left by Rev. Peter[2] Thacher to his other children was all money located in England. The money left to Peter[3] and Thomas[3] was money located in New England; Thomas[3] we know was located himself at that time in New England and the terms of the will suggest that possibly Peter[3] was also there at that time. We have no definite statement, however, that Peter[3] Thacher was in New England, but let us see what circumstantial evidence will do to support this hypothesis, which I have never seen advanced before.

Antony[2] Thacher was accompanied on the ship *James* when he came to this country in 1635 by a "servant," Peter Higdon. Beyond the mention of his name on the passenger list of the *James* we never find any further mention of this Peter Higdon in the early records of New England. What became of him?

In the proceedings of the General Court of Massachusetts 1-12-1641 a Peter Thacher is recorded as hav-

ing been haled before that court to answer the charge of running away from Antony Thacher; and he was admonished by the court for such conduct. In the record of the Quarter Court of Assistants held at Boston, Mass., 1st of 1st month 1641-2 we have the following record: "Peter Thatcher, for plotting piracy was committed, and to be whipt"—and two (2) others were ordered to be whipt for concealing the plot of piracy.

Beyond the two references we have no record whatever of any Peter Thacher in the archives of New England at or about these times, and the connection of his name with Antony[2] Thacher in the first reference naturally suggests the question, "who was he?" Antony[2] Thacher's son Peter[3] by his first wife was drowned in 1635, so it could not be he. Antony[2] Thacher and his nephew Thomas[3] Thacher we know were both in New England at this time. They both came over on the *James* in 1635. Antony's[2] name is mentioned on the list of passengers on that ship, he being entered thereon as a "tayler" by way of precaution in order that he might obtain permission to emigrate in those days of religious persecution. Had he signed the list as curate of the Church of England he would have been subjected to such rigid examination as to his Puritanical tendencies as to preclude the possibility of his gaining his freedom to emigrate. Thomas[3] Thacher's name is not memtioned at all on the published list of the passengers on the *James*; and yet it is an undoubted fact that he came over on that ship with his uncle Antony[2] Thacher. This Thomas[3] Thacher therefore, was included among the unnamed children passengers on this trip of the *James* or else he was entered on the list under an assumed name for the same reasons of religious precaution, as he was the son of a Puritan priest of the Church of England. On the list of passengers on the *James* in 1635 we find the name of Thomas Scoates of Sarum [Salisbury], laborer. Of this Thomas Scoates we have no further record in the early New England colonial records. From the fact that he is registered as from Sarum, the home of Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's Church, it is my impression from the above cited reasons that Thomas[3] Thacher came over on the "James" under the assumed name of "Thomas Scoates of Sarum, laborer," and that he resumed his true name of Thomas[3] Thacher on landing in New England. I also think that Peter[3] Thacher came over on the same trip of the *James* apprenticed to his uncle Antony[2] Thacher under the assumed name of "Peter Higdon, his servant;" and that he resumed his own name Peter[3] Thacher as

soon as he landed in New England; as we have no further record of him in the colonial records as "Peter Higdon," and we have the record of a Peter Thacher in the court proceedings of 1640-1 whose presence in this country at that time we can in no other way account for; and moreover his presence in this country in 1640-1 is strongly suggested by the peculiar terms of his father's will.

If my surmise is correct, it would account for a Peter Thacher being in 1641 in this country, and in charge of Antony[2] Thacher, who would be his uncle and natural guardian to whom he was also apprenticed as is suggested in will of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's. From the terms of his father's will it is to be distinctly inferred that Peter[3] Thacher was unruly and not to be as fully trusted as was his brother Thomas[3] Thacher; and if he was b. as I have assumed in 1616, then in 1641 he was 24 years of age and nearing the end of his apprenticeship, if not entirely through with it, and more than usually hard to control, as is evidenced by his running away fron Antony[2] Thacher, and being punished for piracy.

After the mention of Peter[3] Thacher in court in 1641-2 no further mention of his name is made in the colonial records; and it is to be presumed that he served out his apprenticeship with his uncle Antony[2] Thacher, received his legacies under the terms of his father's will from Antony[2] Thacher and Christopher Batt, and either died or returned to England. At any rate he entirely disappeared in this country and I know of no record of his subsequent career elsewhere.

+9 iii. Thomas[3], b. May 1st, 1620, at Milton Clevedon; d. October 15th, 1678, at Boston, Mass.; m. 1st Elizabeth Partridge-Kemp; m. 2d Margaret Webb-Sheaffe. A full record of this individual will be found in the genealogical record of the American branch of the family.

10 iv. Anne,[3] b. ——, 1622; bap. February 17th, 1622, at Milton Clevedon, Somerset, England. She was alive at the date, February 1st, 1640-1, of her father's will and received thereunder a bequest of £50 and all of her mothers' childbed linen. I have been unable to secure further information regarding her, and do not know whether she married or not, nor do I know when or where she died and is buried.

11. v. Martha,[3] b. ——, 1623; bap. November 30th, 1623, at St. Edmund's Church, in Salisbury (see Register of that church); d. at ——; date ——; m. July 17th, 1649, at St. Martin's Church, Salisbury (see Vol. I of parish register of that church), to Mr. Richard Parham of

London, fishmonger. I have not been able from lack of time to trace descendants of this couple any farther.

12 vi. Elizabeth,[3] b. ——, 1625-6; bap. January 29th, 1625-6, at St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury (see Register of that church). She was living February 1st, 1640-1, when her father made his will and was a beneficiary under said will to the extent of £50. I have been unable to obtain further information regarding her, as to whether she married or not, and when and where she died and was buried.

13 vii. John,[3] b. ——, 1627-8; bap. February 3d, 1627-8, at St. Edmund's, Salisbury (see Register of baptisms); he d. ——, 1673, at Salisbury, England, and was buried September 1st, 1673, from St. Edmund's Church (see the Register of burials). He was a "chirurgeon." It is not known whether he married or not. From the records of the Court of the Sub-Dean of Sarum (Salisbury), England, we obtain the following extract, viz.:

"1673—Thatcher, John—Sarum, administration, bundle 'E' No. 7 [abstract] 'John Thatcher of City of New Sarum, deceased intestate. Letters of administration issued November 10th, 1673, to Henry Denny, apothecary (*pharmacopeis*) of New Sarum, principal creditor of the deceased, with bonds in £100 of William Blattwaite of New Sarum, *laminem*, and William Osborne of New Sarum, cutler (*scissorem*). Witnessed by William Denny, John Saintebarbe.' No. pub. File 'E' No. 7."

This is the John[3] Thacher mentioned in the before referred to letter of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Boston to his son Peter[4] Thacher, then sojourning in London, England, in which letter Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher says to Peter[4] Thacher that he had heard from his half brother, Paul[3] Thacher, that their brother, John[3] Thacher, had died three (3) years previous to that year (1676) in Salisbury, "very poor."

2. Rev. Peter[2] Thacher,

m. a 2d time at Salisbury (Sarum), England, ——, 1635; license therefor being granted April 14th, 1635, to Alice Batt, who was b. at Salisbury, England, date ——; bap. at St. Edmund's Church, January 30th, 1604-5 (see church Register), she being a resident then of St. Edmund's parish. She d. at Salisbury about September 13th, 1669, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church September 16th, 1669, and was interred probably in the yard of that church in ground contiguous to the grave of her 2d husband, Francis Dove; no inscription on his tombstone, however, marks her resting-place. She was the daughter of Thomas Batt gentleman, who was bap. December 30th, 1571,

and who m. September 29th, 1600, at St. Edmund's Church, and was buried from St. Martin's Church, Salisbury, February 20th, 1632, and of his wife, Joane Byley, b. at ——; date ——; d. ——, 1623, and was buried December 24th, 1623, from St. Edmund's Church; she was the daughter of Henry Byley, a tanner of Salisbury, by his wife Alice, widow of Robert Bytheway, a tanner of St. Edmund's parish, Salisbury.

Children by 2d marriage 3 (Thacher); all born in Salisbury, England:

14 viii. Samuel,[3] b. ——, 1635-6; bap. at St. Edmund's Church, January 1st, 1635-6 (see register); d. at Salisbury about March 22d, 1646, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, March 26th, 1646 (see register). Died, aged 10 years, no issue.

15 ix. Paul,[3] b. July ——, 1638; bap. at St. Edmund's Church, July 22d, 1638; d. September ——, 1678, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, September 16th, 1678. He was a grocer and lived in Milford Street, Sarum (Salisbury), Co. Wilts, England. He m. Mary ——, who survived him, and by whom he had the following children:

i. Peter[4] Thacher, b. ——, 1668; bap. at St. Edmund's Church, March 4th, 1668. He was living September 30th, 1678, when his father made his will; whether he married or not is unknown to me, nor do I know where and when he died and was buried. He was living in 1692.

ii. Anthony Hillary[4] Thacher, b. ——, 1671; bap. at St. Edmund's Church, November 4th, 1671. He resided at Salisbury, England, and was a gold and silver wire drawer by trade. He died in Salisbury and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, November 25th, 1692. He left a will dated November 4th, 1692, which was proved December 1st, 1692, which will is filed in the Sub-Dean of Sarum's Court in Salisbury, Bundle "F" No. 6, of which the following is an abstract:

"1692. Anthony Hillary *Thatcher* of the City of New Sarum, Co. Wilts, gold and silver wire drawer, weak in body, dated Nov. 4th, 4th year of William and Mary, 1692. To brother Peter £5 to buy mourning; to mother, Mary *Thatcher,* a messuage in Milford Street in New Sarum, now in possession of John ffulicke, and a messuage in Winchester Street now in possession of Thomas Cosens, a blacksmith; and a messuage in Salt Lane, now in possession of Thomas Batchelor the elder. Mother residuary legatee and executrix; signed by mark, Anthony Hillary

Thacher; seal red wax (A. T.). Witnesses, Joseph Jennings, Elizabeth Cox, Peter Terry, Thomas Holm. Proved by executrix named in will December 1st, 1692."

Mary Thacher, widow of Paul[3] Thacher d. at Salisbury, ——, 1697, and was buried "in the close," St. Edmund's Church, July 20th, 1697. Paul[3] Thacher was at time of his death a member of St. Martin's parish, in Salisbury. His will, dated September 13th, 1678, was proved September 27th, 1678, and is to be found filed in the Sub-Dean of Sarum's Court, Salisbury. File "F" No. 17, of which will the following is an abstract:

"Paul Thacher of Milford, County Wilts, grocer, weak in body; dated 13th September, 30 Charles II, 1678. To son Anthony Hillary Thacher all my messuage in City of New Sarum in Milford Street now or late in the possession of (——)fflood, widow; and also my messuage in same city in Winchester Street, now or late in the possession of John Cosens the younger, blacksmith; also messuage in same city in Salt Lane now in possession of Thomas Batchelor the elder, cloth worker: but wife Mary Thacher to enjoy same till said son attain the age of 21 years without making any account of same towards the breeding up of said son. To son Peter Thacher, all lands, tenements, etc., in said city of New Sarum or elsewhere not before herein bequeathed; and wife to enjoy rents, etc., as before till he is 21. The remainder in case of death of sons under age and without heirs, to right heirs of my wife. Wife Mary residuary legatee and executrix: overseers, kinsmen, John Hillary the younger, of East Litherly Co. Southton, Clarke: and John Payne of said city of New Sarum brewer: signed Paul *Thacher*, seal black wax, in design a little obscure, but what seems to be a large bird with long legs and neck. Witnesses John Hillary, senior; Anne Lindon, her mark, Richard Lindon, and Robert Payne. Proved xxvij Sept. 1678 by Executrix. Endorsed Mr. *Thatcher's* will."

"Inventory of goods, etc., that Paul *Thatcher* (late of Milford, within the parish of St. Martin's, Co. Wilts, Grocer, deceased) d. in possession of: Taken September 23d, 1678, by William Smith, the mark of James ffort the elder. A very full inventory of goods in the kitchen, the parlour, the chamber over the parlour, chamber over the kitchen, the chamber over the buttery, the chamber over the woodhouse, the brewhouse, the chamber over the brewhouse, the buttery and in the woodhouse, backside, and garden,—ending as follows:"

THACHER-THATCHER GENEALOGY

PART III

34 pts
May 15, 1942
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Item: wearing apparel and books, one little gold ring and two gold sealing rings and silver watch	£16	0 0
Item: in ready money	8	0 0
Item: in desperate and doubtful debts	10	0 0
Total	128	0 0

16 x. Barnabas,[3] b. August ——, 1640; bap. August 3d or 30th, 1640, at St. Edmund's Church; d. about May 9th, 1641, at Salisbury, England, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, May 11th, 1641. No issue.

Alice Batt-Thacher, widow of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's, m. a 2d time at St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, England, on October 19th, 1641, to Francis Dove, gentleman; b. at ——; date ——; who resided in Salisbury, England, where he was at one time Mayor of the City and Warden of St. Edmund's Church; he d. at Salisbury, England, February 11th, 1666, and was buried in St. Edmund's church-yard alongside of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, where a grave-stone marks his grave. He was a son of ——; and of ——; who resided at ——.

Children: 4 (Dove), 3 sons and 1 daughter; all b. in Salisbury. (*Not in Thacher line.*):

i. John, b. July 24th, 1642;
ii. Peter, b. February 6th, 1644;
iii. Samuel, b. April 4th, 1647; d. February ——, 1649; buried at St. Edmund's, February 24th, 1649;
iv. Martha, b. December 17th, 1648.

Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was, as we will see from his ordination papers both as deacon and priest, and from the record of his matriculation at Oxford, born in Queen Camel, Somerset, England, previous to March 6th, 1587-8. The exact date of his birth in the year preceding that date cannot be ascertained, as the earliest register of that parish still existing in 1883 gave records of no earlier date than 1629, and that register itself was not one of births and baptisms. He undoubtedly lived in Queen Camel until the year 1602-3, when at the full age of 15 he entered Queen's College, Oxford University. The exact date of his matriculation at Oxford is variously stated in the several registers of matriculation of that institution of learning as March 6th, 1602-3, and May 6th, 1603;—these two dates being but two months apart, as the new year in those days was estimated as beginning March 25th. There being several registers of matriculation at Oxford in existence covering this period of time, the difference of dates of his matriculation as given in them (March or May) can be explained as follows, viz:—

1st. It is possible that the two words specifically translated March and May respectively may be so written in the original Latin entries in the registers as to render the correct translation of each entry doubtful, some taking the word for March and some for May.

2nd. It is also possible that the two specific entries of March 6th, 1602-3, and May 6th, 1603, are both correct for the following reasons. Peter Thacher's name may have been entered upon the University Matriculation book and his entrance fee have been regulated and paid on March 6th, 1602-3, preliminary to his becoming a regular student there; and this formality having been fulfilled, he possibly began his active association with that institution as a student of Queen's College and entered his name upon the matriculation book of that particular college on May 6th, 1603, the commencement of the Easter term. I here sub-join the extracts from these registers for explanation of my views, viz:

From what appears to be a register of Matriculation of the University of Oxford for the year 1602 we extract the following entry,—bearing in mind that the year 1602 ended with March 24th and the year 1603 began March 25.

"1602. March 6th—*Petrus Thatcher, Somersetiensis, plebei filius et paup, an nat* 15, 2d".

Somersetiensis means that he came from Somerset, *plebei filius* that he was of humble birth as compared with those of gentle and titled lineage; *et paup* that he was poor and hence unable to pay high fees; *an nat;* that he was full 15 years of age at the date of matriculation March 6th, 1602, and hence he was born previous to March 6th, 1587; and 2d is the record of his matriculation fee of two pence.

In another register, which is probably the specific register of matriculation of Queen's College, we find the following extract, viz:—

"*Ter pasch* —— Thatcher, b"

Ter pasch means that he was entered for the Easter term; and *b* means that he was a *batteler,* that is a student who received some assistance from the College either in board or lodging or both.

In still another register, whether of Queen's College in particular or of the University at large is not clear,—it appears that the first matriculations for 1603 took place April 25th of that year. It is therein specifically stated that on May 4th, 1603, the Proctors of the University were elected. These Proctors were not concerned with the matriculations; but it is specifically stated therein that two (2) days later, May 6th, 1603, Peter Thacher was matriculated, as from the following entry, viz:—

"Social condition, *paup;*—name, Thacher, Peter;—date, May 6th, 1603; father's name and residence ——; father's rank, *pleb;* County Somerset; age 15". It is also stated that he was of Queen's College, and the month of May is particularly noted.

From all of which I think it fair to conclude that Peter[2] Thacher matriculated in the general University of Oxford on March 6th, 1602-3, two months previous to the beginning of the Easter term, at which term he intended to begin his studies. He subsequently selected Queen's College as his specific alma mater

and entered upon his studies there at the beginning of the Easter term, May 6th, 1603, and was on that date entered upon the mariculation register of that College.

The following is a scale of matriculation fees then in force, payable upon entrance to the University; which fees we see were graded according to the social rank and supposed corresponding affluence of the students of the various classes, viz:—

Principis, ducis, aut marchionis filius	13sh 4d
Comitis, aut vice-comitis filius	10sh
Baronis, Episcopi, aut baronetti filius	6sh 8d
Equites, decani, aut archi-diaconi filius	3sh 4d
Armigeri filius	1sh 8d
Generosi, filius	1sh
Plebei filius	—— 4d

In the earliest matriculation register of Oxford University (marked "P" and beginning 1571) the fees are sometimes mentioned; and they vary very considerably. *Pauper scholaris* pays often 4d, sometimes 3d and often 2d. *Ministeri verbi Dei filius,* who is graded between *generosi filius* and *plebei filius,* frequently pays 6d. The latest date found in this book is July 7th, 1615; and it is in this book that occurs the record of the matriculation of Peter[2] Thacher.

The Matriculation Registers of the University and of the various subordinate colleges are records of the highest possible authenticity and value. But it should always be borne in mind that the details of individual descriptions of students matriculated which they contain were taken down from the dictation of the parents of the students or from the students themselves. It is the consensus of opinion of all English Antiquarians of to-day that it was the tendency of both parents and students to under-estimate their social standing, so that their matriculation and subsequent other fees, which were regulated by social position, might be as moderate as possible.

A parallel case of the under-rating of social position is known to have been prevalent in England at this period; for in the case of the various County Visitations made periodically to ascertain those who were entitled to bear Armorial insignia, and also to record the same in the Herald's office together with recording of the pedigrees of those county families, it was frequently the case that many who were in reality entitled to the distinction of Coat-Armour by virtue of their birth and pedigree, denied such right in order to avoid paying the fee attendant upon having their pedigrees and Heraldic rights recorded.

The fact that Peter[2] Thacher is recorded in the matriculation registers of Oxford as *plebei filius* has been regarded by some as proving that he was not the son of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, 1574-1624; as, if he had been his son, they argue that he would have entered himself or been entered on these registers as *ministeri verbi Dei filius.* This argument does not seem to

carry much weight in view of the facts of under-rating social standing prevalent at that time as stated above. I think that in accordance with well established custom of that period, and urged thereto by the stress of pecuniary need, his social rank was under-rated to secure for him the benefit of lower entrance fees and subsequent charges during his college career. The term *paup,* meaning *indigent student,* given in his personal description, did not of necessity mean absolute poverty but simply the necessity for some material reduction in charges to enable him to pursue a college career. This was in strict accordance with the facts of his home life; he was the son of a poor Country Vicar of meagre income; and his humble personal description was moreover in strict accord with the puritan discountenancing of the adventitious circumstances of birth.

1603. Peter[2] Thacher soon left Queen's College to enter Corpus Christi College of the same University. He was elected a scholar of this college on the Somerset foundation July 19th, 1603; and received, 1609, his degree as a Bachelor of Arts therefrom February 4th, 1608-9, and took his degree as Master of Arts from that same college March 14th, 1610-11. On October 10th, 1610, admission to the Bodleian Library at Oxford was given by grace to Peter[2] Thacher, B. A., of Corpus Christi College. This fact emphasizes his studious bent of mind, and calls our attention to the formalities which 300 years ago attended the admission of Junior members of the University to the freedom of the University collections. Access by right to these collections was granted only to Masters of Arts and Doctors in the faculties. Other persons desirous of using the Library had to obtain permission from the Congregation or Faculty of the University, which permission was granted as a favor or "by Grace," and such privilege was made a matter of formal record.

1610. The illustrious Dr. John Raynolds, for many years President of Corpus Christi College, and who died in 1607, gave directions in his will for the distribution of a portion of his extensive Library among a number of the under-graduates of that College; the beneficiaries to be chosen by his executors on account of their merit as students. A large portion of this Library was bequeathed to the Bodleian Library itself. Among the under-graduates thus selected by the Executors we find the name of Peter[2] Thacher, to whom were presented thirty-five (35) volumes, a larger number than those presented to any other student in the college, or to any private individual except two (2) of the testator's nephews, who received 45 and 40 volumes, respectively. The gift of these volumes to Peter[2] Thacher gives us the much desired evidence establishing the identity of Peter[2] Thacher of Corpus Christi College with Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, and proving beyond doubt that they were one and the same individual. For Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's in his will left all of his library to his son, Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, then in New England; and among the long list of books thus be-

queathed, which books finally found their way to this country under the terms of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's will, and became part of the Library of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Old South Church, Boston, were found a number bearing inscriptions showing them to have been presented to Rev. Peter[2] Thacher by the Executors of Dr. John Raynolds' will.

1612. On June 7th, 1612, Peter[2] Thacher was ordained a deacon of the Church of England by the Reverend Father John King, Lord Bishop of London, in the Parish Church of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex; it being Trinity Sunday of that year. The record of his ordination is to be seen in the book of ordinations (1578-1628) performed by John King, who was Bishop of London, 1611-1621,—in which book the ordination is recorded in the quaint and abbreviated Latin of the scribes of those times; which record after amplification and translated reads as follows, viz:—

"John King—1611-1621—The next general ordinations were conferred and celebrated by the Reverend Father John, Lord Bishop of London, in the Parish Church of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, on Sunday the Feast of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, on the seventh day of the present month of June in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and twelve. The candidates for ordination having previously on the Saturday preceding in the Chapel of the said Reverend Father within his manor of Fulham aforesaid been examined and approved; there being present Masters William Peirse and Henry Mason, bachelors of Sacred Theology; Robert Richardson, Master of Arts, priests, domestic chaplains of the said Reverend Father; also Henry Goodcole, clerk, curate of Fulham, assistants to the said Reverend Father in the aforesaid matter, in the presence of Master Robert Christian, Notary Public, deputy to Master John Gough, principal Registrar."

DEACONS.

* * * "Thatcher-Cameron—Peter Thatcher, Master of Arts, scholar of Christ Church College, Oxford, over twenty-four years of age, born in Queen Cameron, in the County of Somerset, recommended by letters testimonial from the aforesaid College." (Book of ordination, 1578-1628.)

1613. On March 29th, 1613, Peter[2] Thacher was elected a Probationary Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. A Fellow of a college in those days, as well as in the present time, was a bachelor; and by marriage (except in cases of a special vote of the College faculty) forfeited his fellowship. Peter[2] Thacher's first child was born June 4th, 1615; hence he must have been married between the date of his appointment as a fellow (March 29th, 1613), and the date of the birth of his first child (June 4th, 1615), —and therefore probably not less than nine (9) months previous to the latter date, which would place the date of his marriage about or previous to September 4th, 1614. As a Fellow of Corpus

Christi College it is fair to presume that he was living at the time of his fellowship at Oxford. It is therefore possible and probable that he was married there; and, if so, then among the local records of Oxford his marriage allegation may be found, with possibly the record of the names of his parents and the place of their residence, and also the record of the maiden surname of his first wife, Anne ——, and her place of residence previous to marriage, and the names of her parents and their place of residence. The Oxford records may in fact give the record of the actual marriage itself. Time has not been permitted me to verify the truth of this possibility. It has been assumed by me, in the absence of all knowledge to the contrary that Peter[2] Thacher forfeited his fellowship on marriage; and his ability so to do, as the fellowship carried with it certain pecuniary emoluments, suggests that either he or his first wife, Anne ——, must have had some income to support them in their married state up to the time he was appointed Vicar of Milton Clevedon in 1616.

1614. On June 18th, 1614, he was ordained a full priest of the Church of England by the same Reverend John King, Bishop of London, in the parish church of Fulham, it being Sunday. The record of this ordination is to be found in the same book as that containing his ordination as deacon (*i. e.,* ordination book, 1578-1628); and the record when translated reads as follows, viz:—

"The next general ordinations were conferred and celebrated by the Reverend Father John, Lord Bishop of London, in the parish church of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, on Sunday, the eighteenth day of the present month of June in the 1614th year of our Lord; the candidates for ordination having previously on the next preceding Saturday in the chapel of the said Reverend Father within his manor of Fulham, aforesaid, been examined and approved."

PRIESTS.

* * * "Thatcher (Camwell). Peter Thatcher, Master in Arts in Christ Church College, Oxford, born at Queen Camwell, in the County of Somerset, 27 years of age or thereabouts, formerly ordained Deacon by the Reverend Lord Bishop of London, recommended by letters from aforesaid College" (Book of ordinations, 1578-1628).

1616. On August 9th, 1616, he was instituted Vicar of Milton Clevedon, as is proved by the following evidence, viz:—

In the book of Institutions of clergymen in Somerset County, Vol. 11, we obtain the following extract, viz:—

"Milton Clevedon, Vic.	Thos. Still, Som^{ton}	Petrus
6^{li} 13^{sh} 4^{d}	gent. 9th Aug. 1616	Thatcher"

In the 1st column is the name of the living and its taxed value as regulated by the Crown Commissioners; in the 2nd column is the name of the patron of the living and the date of institution; and in the 3rd column is the name of the recipient of the living.

EXTERIOR OF ST. JAMES CHURCH AT MILTON CLEVEDON, CO. SOMERSET, ENGLAND

REV. PETER[2] THACHER, VICAR, 1616-1623

Again in the Hugo MSS. No. 3082, p. 37 (on file in the British Museum) under the head of institutions at Milton Clevedon, Somerset, we find as follows, viz:—

"August 9th 1616. Pet. Thatcher, *per mort,* R. M. *ad pres* Thos. Still de Somerton *hoc vice.*" Montague, folio 28.

Should the First Fruits Composition Book in the Subsidy Rolls be examined as they were in the case of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, we would undoubtedly find the bond recorded there which Rev. Peter[2] Thacher furnished for the payment of the First Fruits of this living,—£6 13^{sh} 4^{d}: and the names of his bondsmen would throw additional light upon his history. I have lacked time and opportunity to make this examination.

The name of the parish church at Milton Clevedon is St. James, and it is located in the Diocese of Bath and Wells, only 10 or 12 miles from Queen Camel, where Rev. Peter[1] Thacher was at that time Vicar.

While Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was located at Milton Clevedon we find no records of the birth of any of his children, either in the Parish Register or in the Diocesan transcript of this parish Register at Wells; the only record that we find relating to his own family is that of his son John's burial on June 13th, 1622. He unvariably signed the Parish Register at Milton Clevedon, *Peter Thacher, Vicar.*

1622. Here he remained as Vicar until 1623, as we find in the above quoted Hugo MSS. No. 3082, the following entry, viz:—"1623. Nov. 14th Otho Polewheile, per resignation P. T."

In further corroboration of his record at Milton Clevedon I give the following extracts taken from a paper covered book on file in the Diocesan Registry at Wells. This book bears the title "Institutions and Collations, 1585-1625." The original entries are in Latin, of which the below are translated extracts, viz:—

"Milton Clevedon, 9th August 1616—Peter Thatcher, Clerk, was admitted to the Vicarage of Milton Clevedon, vacant by the death of Richard Marshall, Clerk, the last Vicar there on the presentation of Thomas Still of Somerton, gent, the true patron of said Vicarage."

"Milton Clevedon, 14th November, 1623. Otho Polewheile, clerk, was admitted to the Vicarage of Milton Clevedon, vacant by the resignation of Peter Thatcher, late the incumbent there, on the presentation of John Drake of Aishe in the County of Devon, the true patron of the said Vicarage for this term by virtue of a grant thereof to him made by John Greene of Milton, aforesaid, Esquire, the true patron of the said Vicarage."

That Rev. Peter[2] Thacher was in Milton Clevedon as late as August 12th, 1622, is evident from the fact that in the will of Walter Wiles, made on that date, Peter Thacher, Vicar of Milton Clevedon, is mentioned, and he is appointed one of the overseers of said will.

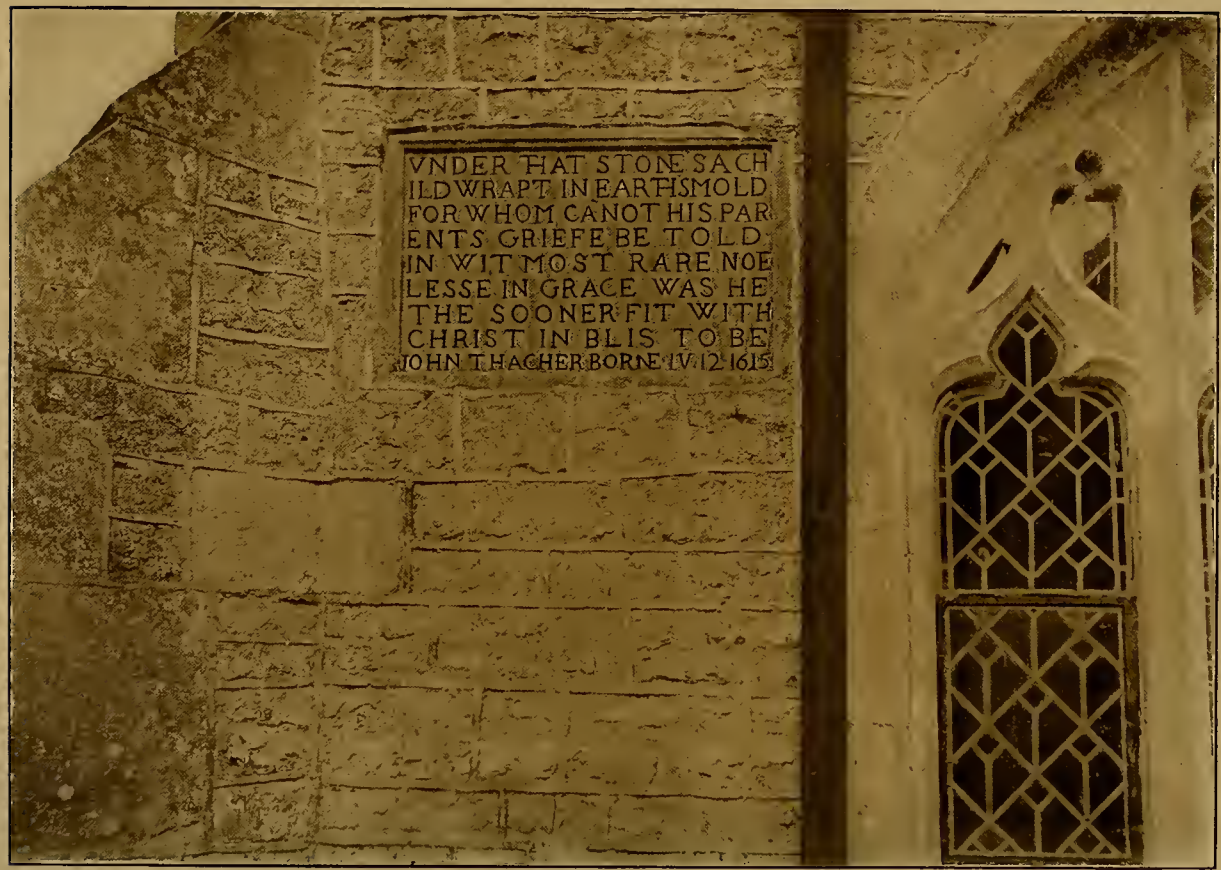
During the latter years of the service of Peter[2] Thacher as Vicar of Milton Clevedon he was the recipient of overtures on the part of the Vestry of St. Edmund's in Salisbury to accept a call to that parish. Hugh Williams was the immediate predecessor of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at St. Edmund's, but he resigned his pastorate on account of disagreement with the congregation, which was a strongly Puritanical organization. Record book No. 2 of the Parish of St. Edmund's is the book in which a record of the action of St. Edmund's vestry on the subject of the call of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher to that parish would be recorded. In 1883 the Clerk of St. Edmund's parish informed an inquirer that this Record book No. 2 had not been in the custody of the parish for a number of years. The following are, however, quoted extracts which were taken from Book No. 2 in 1830, while it was still in the custody of the parish officials, viz:—

"At the Vestry held the 19th of January, 1622 (1623 New Style). At this Vestry it is agreed, with full consent that the matter agreed upon touching Mr. Thacher's coming shall proceed; and if it may be possible to be effected Mr. Thacher shall be placed here and be vested in our church as our Minister before Shrove Sunday next (the annual meeting of the Vestry). And for better effecting thereof, and all necessary things touching the same Mr. Recorder (Giles Tooker) is to be desired to be at a vestry to be held on the 17th day of February next in the evening to which the Vestry is adjourned.

Signed by

Henry Sherfield	Peter Bankes
B. Tookie	Thomas Bullen
John Paxton	T. Hancock
Robert Jole	William Marshall
James Mitchell	Robert Roberts
George Beach	Robert Tyte
John Joie	

16th February, 1622. At the court of the Vestry, there held the day aforesaid, a letter sent by the worthy Giles Tooker, Esq., Recorder of this town, and directed to the Masters of this Vestry, was read and deliberately considered of; and his care and good wishes to the church is by all acknowledged. After due consideration had thereof, it is now ordered by the general consent of all the Masters present at the Vestry, that Mr. Thacher shall be our Minister and preacher as hath been formerly often resolved; and that the same shall now be effected with all expedition; for the better finishing whereof this Vestry is adjourned until Wednesday next at four of the clock in the afternoon. And in the meantime Mr. Sherfield, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Tookie, Mr. Horne, some of the Masters of the Vestry are desired to meet and to prepare such things as are requisite in the cause, and Mr. Jole, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Joie, and both the church wardens, other Masters of this Vestry, and Mr. John Dove are desired to collect the voluntary



DETAIL OF MURAL TABLET TO MEMORY OF JOHN[3] THACHER, SON OF REV. PETER[2] THACHER

SET IN WALL OF ST. JAMES CHURCH, MILTON CLEVEDON, CO. SOMERSET, ENGLAND

contributions according as every man hath set down in writing. And it is hoped and desired that Mr. Recorder will be present and give his assent and assistance in the furthering and finishing this good work in hand."

There was much controversy and litigation in the 17th Century in regard to the proprietorship of the patronage of the Rectory of St. Edmund's. The right of bestowal of the living was claimed by the feoffees as held by them by deed of trust, and was not in the gift of any individual. These feoffees were Puritans; and would not accept as Rector any one who was not in agreement with them in matters religious. It was on account of his distinct Puritan tendency that Rev. Peter[2] Thacher received his call to St. Edmund's. As a result of this controversy it seems that the incumbent Rector had to be supported by the voluntary contributions of the parish; and did not receive the regular legal stipend which had there been no controversy, would have attached itself to the office. It was undoubtedly due to this question of emolument that so long a period of time was required to induce Rev. Peter[2] Thacher to accept the call of the Vestry of St. Edmund's and thereby give up his regular Ecclesistical holding at Milton Clevedon. The fact of his compensation for service as Rector of St. Edmund's being paid by the voluntary contributions of his parishioners undoubtedly accounts for the fact that there is no record in the First Fruits Composition Book of his paying the regular tax on the living; as he was not in receipt of the regular stipend upon which the tax was based, but supported solely by the voluntary contributions of his Parishioners.

It seems that an agreement was finally reached between the feoffees and Vestry and the Bishop of the Diocese on the one hand and Rev. Peter[2] Thacher on the other hand and he accepted the call, and was regularly instituted at St. Edmund's, February 23rd, 1622-3, his patron at institution being Bishop Davenant, Lord Bishop of Salisbury at that time. The record of his institution is to be found in the Registry of the Lord Bishop of Salisbury, where it is recorded in Latin, of which the following is a correct translation, viz:—

"1622. February—Sarum, St. Edmund's Rectory, Register.

"On the twenty-third day of the month, in the year and at the place aforementioned, the Reverend Father above named (Bishop Davenant) by an act of grace, conferred upon Peter Thatcher, Clerk, Master of Arts, the Rectorship and parish church of St. Edmund, Sarum, in the county of Wilts, in his Diocese of Sarum, vacant through the free and voluntary resignation of Hugh Williams, clerk, the last Rector and incumbent lawfully instituted to the office (The said Peter Thatcher having first taken the oath of supremacy as well as that of canonical obedience, etc., according to the form of the statutes);—he, the said Reverend Father, has instituted him Rector and invested him in and of the same, with all its rights, privileges and appurtenances, etc., and has committed

to him the spiritual charge and duties thereof, whatever they may be, etc. And a record was made by the Sub-Dean of Sarum of his institution according to the usual custom."

The record of this institution shows that Rev. Peter[2] Thacher received the office *by grace* (*i. e.,* as a favor) at the hands of Bishop Davenant, which fact in itself is a strong hint at the controversy existing between the feoffees and the church government; the appointment being evidently a compromise on the part of the contending factions.

We thus see Rev. Peter[2] Thacher located as Rector of St. Edmund's on February 23rd, 1622-3, where he remained in office the rest of his life. His daughter, Martha[3] Thacher, is the first of his children recorded as being born in Salisbury; the entry of her baptism is found in the St. Edmund's parish register as having (1623) taken place in that church, November 30th, 1623. And in that same Register is to be found the record of baptisms of all children born to him in Salisbury by his first and second wives. His first wife, Anne ——, died at Salisbury about March 23rd, 1634, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church March 26th, 1634 (and was probably interred in St. Edmund's Church Yard). The date of her burial being recorded in the Parish Register.

ST. EDMUND'S, SALISBURY.

REV. PETER[2] THACHER, RECTOR, 1623-1640-1.
ANTONY[2] THACHER, CURATE, 1631-1635.

1631. In a record book of the Parish of St. Edmund's called "A New Book for ye Vestry, January 21st, 1630, being No. 3," we find the following signatures to a record of a vestry meeting

which names are here given to show who were the chief parishioners of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at that date. It will be noted that he himself signed these proceedings; the extract is as follows, viz:—

"January 7th, 1631. The names of the Company, gentlemen of the Vestrye, whose hands are to this order

Henry Byley, Mayor	Philip Crewe
Henry Sherfield	Thomas Batts
Barthol Tookie	Richard Busley
John Joie	John Banger
Peter Thacher	Rowland Taylor
George Beach	John Pearson, Jr.
Maurice Aylerrugge	Richard Carter
John Barrowe	

1632. From "Water's Gleanings in England" we obtain the following extract which shows the probable insufficiency of the voluntary contribution to support Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at St. Edmund's; and which also sets forth the fact that he held a commission to Probate Wills,—whether this authority was by virtue of his Rectorship or by virtue of a special commission to cover this case does not appear, although from the phraseology it would seem to have been special authority granted in the case, viz:—

"Will of Geoffrey Bigge of Putney, Wilts, clerk,—October 15th, 1630. Proved May 3rd, 1632. I give unto Mr. Peter Thatcher a little to help his too small stipend for his painful and profitable ministry in the parish church of St. Edmund in Sarum, the sum of five pounds to be paid within half a year after my decease if he shall then be incumbent there"....."Witnessed by John White, Clerk; and the probate granted by Peter Thacher by virtue of a commission" (P. C. C. Audley 55).

1634. From a book of the Records of St. Edmund's I extract the following, viz:—

"A note of the Church's goods, April 18, 1634.

One challice, silver and guilte.

One cupp, silver and guilte with a cover.

Two small dishes, silver and guilte.

Ffower flagons pewter.

One great Church Bible, in folio.

Two common prayer books, in folio.

One book of prayers for the 5th of November (Gunpowder plot, Nov. 5, 1605).

One carpet of silk and gould for the communion table.

One pulpit cloth of silke and imbroydered worke.

One pulpit cushion and one cushion of Velvett for the Mayor's pew.

One table cloth of diaper for the communion table.

Two diaper robes and one Dowlas robe.

One brasse candlesticke.

Two surplises.

One great hanging candlesticke with handle of brass."

It has been remarked by an English Antiquarian of some repute,—"the interest of this list is very great. It shows what was the furniture of St. Edmund's when Peter Thacher had held the Rectory more than a decade. The costliness of the furniture strikes one as having little in accord with puritan notions. That there should have been "two surplises"—that indeed there should have been any—is not a little remarkable when we consider the intense and bitter antipathy of the Puritans to that very ancient and singularly becoming vestment.

The "surplises" appear also in a later list dated April 6th, 1638, and again April 26th, 1639; and as they likewise occur after Peter Thacher's death in a list of May 7th, 1641, it is to be inferred that they were in the church to the end of his incumbency. The question is, were they used? Even in England the publication of this list would excite interest."

About March 23rd, 1634, Anne ——, the first wife of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, died, and, as we have before stated, on the 26th of that month was buried from St. Edmund's. It is a tradition of early origin in the American history of the family that Rev. Peter[2] Thacher had it seriously in mind to emigrate to New England on account of his Puritan faith; but the death of his first wife disturbed these plans and they were never carried out. It is stated on as good an authority as Cotton Mather, in his Magnalia, that Rev. Peter[2] Thacher offered to his son, Thomas[3] Thacher, a college education in either Oxford or Cambridge; but that owing to the lack of religious freedom then existent in England, Thomas[3] Thacher preferred to come to this country while still a youth and forego the opportunity of college education thus offered him.

1635. April 14th, 1635, a license was granted Rev. Peter[2] Thacher to marry again; and a copy of this license is to be found among the Salisbury Records and reads as follows, viz:—

"1635, xiiij to *die mensis Aprilis.* Appeared personally Richard White, of St. Thomas' in Sarum, grocer, and humbly craved license for marriage between Peter Thacher, clarke, Master of Arts, ——, of St. Edmund's in Sarum, a widower, and Alice Batt of Edmund's in Sarum, spinster, aged xxx years or thereabouts; and alleged that to his knowledge there is noe impediment either in respect of consanguinity, affinity, former contract or otherwise, but that they may lawfully marry together; and that her parents are both dead; and of the truth thereof he offereth to make faith."

Where the marriage authorized by this license took place is not known, as no record of it is found in the Parish Registers of Salisbury in any of the churches there. That it was solemnized is beyond doubt, and moreover, it took place soon after the granting of the license, as the first child of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher by Alice Batt, his second wife was born in 1636-7 and was baptized at St. Edmund's January or June of 1636-7, as is recorded in the Parish Register of that church.

INTERIOR OF ST. EDMUND'S CHURCH, SALISBURY, ENGLAND
REV. PETER[2] THACHER, RECTOR, 1623-1640-1
ANTONY[2] THACHER, CURATE, 1631-1635

March 30th, 1635. From the record of the Vestry of St. Edmund's we note as follows, viz:—

"Election of Mr. Thomas Keinton and Mr. Francis Dove to be church wardens, and of Mr. Maurice Smith to be Parish Clerk."

The Rector incumbent had the right to nominate one church warden, the other to be elected by the parishioners. The office of Parish clerk is a freehold tenable for life, and his appointment was in the hands of the Rector incumbent. It is more than probable that the Warden nominated in this case by the Rector incumbent was Francis Dove, who was the warm and chosen friend of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher; and who on the death of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher (he, Francis Dove, himself being a widower) married as his second wife Alice Batt-Thacher, widow of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher.

A little previous to this last date, Antony[2] Thacher (Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's brother), who had for some time been acting as curate of St. Edmund's, must have severed his connection with that church; for on April 5, 1635, he sailed from Southampton on the ship *James*, bound for New England; and he took with him, as is well known, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's son, Thomas[3] Thacher; and also in my opinion, he took with him as his apprentice, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher's oldest son, Peter[3] Thacher, as I have explained in full under the individual record of this Peter[3] Thacher. Antony[2] Thacher is said to have married a second time six weeks before sailing from Southampton; and on leaving Salisbury he left behind him there, in charge of his brother, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, his youngest son (by his first wife, Mary ——) Benjamin[3] Thacher, who was born in Salisbury April 3rd, 1634, and who subsequently died September 1st (about) 1639, and was buried there in Salisbury.

All during the incumbency of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at St. Edmund's there was constant friction between him and the ecclesiastical authorities of the cathedral church on account of the Puritanism of himself and his parishioners; it being evident that neither he nor his congregation were sufficiently in accord with the church powers of that day to induce them to conform any more than was absolutely necessary to the then established rules of the church. This condition of affairs resulted in formal complaints being made by the church authorities against Rev. Peter[2] Thacher to the Bishop of Salisbury, to which complaints he finally replied in the following letter, the original of which is still preserved, viz:—

1637. "January 13th, 1637. To the Right Reverend Father in God, the Lord Bishop of Sarum: Certain reasons for which I do in all humility supplicate and entreat your Lordship that I may not be inforced either to publish in the congregation, or promise obedience to an order lately made by the Right Worshipfull Dr. Lynne concerning the time of beginning prayer at St. Edmund's church.

1. That the order herein said to be made by the Right Worshipfull Sir Nathaniel Brent, Vicar General, in St. Edmund's Church, was not made there, but at Dr. Osbourn's house, where the said Vicar General then lay as I very well remember being then present.

2. That the order made by the Vicar General required not that prayer should begin in the afternoon at two o'clock precisely, but about that time, namely at two or somewhat after, so that I [considered] the [word missing] a little of the time could be no breach of the Vicar General's order. As on Ash Wednesday the lecture at St. Thomas' Church is intended to begin at ten, yet many times it is past ten, and sometimes I suppose nearer eleven before it begins.

3. I never promised to observe this order of the Vicar General, not only for that it was contrary to an order formerly made by your Lordship and observed until Mr. Robson's coming, but also for some other reasons which I know it would be to me very inconvenient; some of which when I began to allege by his, the Vicar General's permission, it pleased him to command me silence in these very words:—'Mr. Thacher, speak no more of it, for I will have it so.'

4. I never violated or neglected the order aforesaid in any contempt of ecclesiastical authority and jurisdiction, as is here indicated, but would willingly have observed it had I been able.

5. I never used any plot or practice [by] long and tedious sermons as is here pretended, or any other way whatsoever to circumvent or hinder at any time from coming [to] hear the sermons in the Cathedral Church. But having at my first coming to my church craved and obtained your Lordship's allowance to do something by way of catechising on Sunday Mornings, for the information of such of my parish as could not come to the Cathedral Church, of which sort there were and still are very many, I continued that course until the afternoon's sermons were commanded to be turned into catechising. Then in obedience to that order I began to catechise in the afternoon instead of preaching, and to preach in the morning instead of catechising. And this course I have hitherto continued with as much care as I could not to give offense to any. Mr. Chancellor himself allowed me an hour for my prayer and sermon in the morning, after the prayers of the church were ended. And I can truly say I have desired to confine myself to that time. Yea, I think verily I have never exceeded it, or very seldom; many, yea, and most times have ended within it. And this much I say truly, that I never understood of their late coming at any time from St. Edmund's to the Cathedral, but it was [great] grief and vexation unto me.

6. I consider this order of Mr. Chancellor is impossible to be observed as it is there set down, without putting down my sermon in the morning altogether. For the order is that morning prayer shall begin Sundays after eight of the clock, and the prayer

and sermon after that not to be extended longer than till the great bell shall be rung for warning to the sermon at the Cathedral Church. Now the reading of all prayer (which is commanded to be done) will take up an hour and sometimes more, ordinarily cannot be done less; and the ringing of the bell to the sermon at the Cathedral is usually at 9 o'clock, as hath been observed, or presently thereupon; yea, the bell that often times begins to ring before I have been able to begin my sermon. To order therefore that prayer shall begin presently after eight, and the sermon not extend longer than till the ringing of the bell in the Cathedral is in truth to order that there shall be no sermon at all, and so to leave a company of poor souls purchased at as high price as the best soul in the world (which cannot come to the Cathedral Church, never do) without any instruction at all; which my conscience tells me, for me willingly to yield unto, were to bring guilt of their blood upon myself.

7. I cannot with good conscience (as I suppose) read this order in the congregation at the time appointed for two reasons.

(1) Because I know the reading of it immediately after the first lesson (as is required) will cause an interruption and much discussion in the whole congregation in the public worship of Almighty God, which I think in my [conscience] ought not to be done.

(2) Because there are therein many aspersions cast upon myself (as all that shall hear it will presently judge and understand) as namely, of malice of contempt of authority and ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and the like, which I utterly defie; which for me to be a publisher of in the congregation would, as I consider, be no less than a kind of bearing penance by a public: acknowledgement of my being guilty of them.

8. Whereas the order requires that we notify within a time therein limited both of the publication of the order, and of our obedience and submission thereunto, which is, as I understand it, that we promise duly to observe the same, I do in all humble manner intreat that I may not be made to make any such promise without some investigation of the order aforesaid, it being impossible to be kept for the [reason] before alleged without putting [down] the morning exercises altogether; and sometimes without omitting the exercises in the afternoon also, which I think I cannot do without sin, who am willing to yield all obedience to the Lord.

PETER THACHER

The unworthiest of all God's servants."

The original of this remonstrance was in 1839 in the possession of Rev. George Radcliffe, then Rector of St. Edmund's. What the result of this controversy was has not been recorded.

Rev. Peter[2] Thacher died at Salisbury, England, while still the incumbent of the Rectorship of St. Edmund's, on Sunday,

February 16th, 1640 (old style) 1641 New Style; and was buried from St. Edmund's Church on February 19th, 1640-1; and his remains were interred in the churchyard of St. Edmund's, where an altar tomb was erected to his memory, which tomb is still standing in this year (1910). The inscription on this tomb is still quite legible; but the side panel on which the inscription is cut is made of three slabs of stone with vertical joints; on the two left-hand slabs the inscription is cut, the right-hand slab being left blank. Time has corroded the stone along the edges of the joint between the left and middle slabs so as to render the lettering along the line of this joint somewhat illegible. In the inscription the "V" of the Roman numerals XVI comes right at this joint, and time has caused it to disappear and it now reads X——I instead of XVI, as it originally did. This must be so as the Sundays of February, 1640, old style fell on the 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd, respectively, and the 16th is the only one that fits the facts of the case. This statement explains the various readings of the inscription on the tomb which have heretofore appeared. The correct inscription is as follows, viz:—

"HERE LYETH YE BODY OF MR. PETER
THATCHER WHO WAS A LABORIOUS MIN-
ISTER IN PREACHING YE GOSPEL OF JESUS
CHRIST TO YE PEOPLE OF ST. EDMOND'S BY YE
SPACE OF XVIII YEARES, WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE ON LORD'S DAY AT NIGHT BE-
ING XVI OF FEBRUARY 1640
LET NO MAN MOVE HIS BONES.
F. D."

The dignity of the tomb, which is as pronounced as any in the churchyard, is a reminder of the position which he held in the community.

The maiden surname of his first wife, Anne ——, has never been ascertained, nor their place of marriage, nor any knowledge of her parentage.

The record of his second wife, Alice Batt, is fully given herein. Her will has not yet been discovered, which is to be regretted, as its contents might possibly throw additional light upon the English connections of the Thacher family. Alice (Batt) Thacher, widow of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, married a second time at Salisbury, October 19th, 1641, to Francis Dove, one of the overseers of her first husband's will and his "verie dear friend"; he was a merchant of Salisbury and was twice elected Mayor of that city and was also one of the wardens of St. Edmund's Church. Alice, widow of Francis Dove, died at Salisbury about the 13th of September, 1669, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church September 16th, 1669; she was undoubtedly interred in St. Edmund's Church Yard alongside either her first or second husband, although the tomb of neither Rev. Peter[2] Thacher nor Francis Dove

FRONT TOMB, THAT OF REV. PETER[2] THACHER IN CHURCHYARD OF ST. EDMUND'S, SALISBURY, ENGLAND

REAR TOMB, THAT OF FRANCIS DOVE, WHO MARRIED WIDOW OF REV. PETER[2] THACHER

bear any inscription to her memory. Francis Dove died at Salisbury February 11th, 1666, and was buried in St. Edmund's Church Yard, where an altar tomb similar in shape and size to that of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, and alongside of the latter, marks his grave. The tombstone to his memory bears the following inscription, the original being in Latin, viz:—

"Francis Dove of noble character, twice Mayor of this City; a man singularly pure; not excessively severe, but at the same time grave and gentle; a true friend, not harsh to his enemies. Here below he was laid. He died 11th February in that fatal year 1666.

Francis, his second son, imbued with softest manners, and remarkable for his piety and probity, knowing nothing of deceit or guile, here also sleeps under this stone. He died September 14th, 1661."

Francis Dove, Senior, was a widower when he married Alice (Batt) Thacher. His first wife was named Margery ——, her maiden surname being not known. She died at Salisbury and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, June 26th, 1639. Francis Dove had by Margery, his first wife, the following children (not in Thacher line):

1. Thomas, baptized St. Edmund's, March 6th, 1630;
2. Francis, baptized St. Edmund's, March 3rd, 1633; died September 14th, 1661;
3. Henry, baptized St. Edmund's, July 30th, 1637;
4. Peter, baptized St. Edmund's, June 22nd, 1639; died about June 24th, 1639, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, June 26th, 1639.

The initials "F. D." following the inscription on the tomb of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, are undoubtedly those of Francis Dove, who in all probability had charge of the erection of his tomb and the wording of the inscription thereon. Francis Dove had by his second wife Alice (Batt) Thacher, four children (three sons and one daughter) as heretofore recorded. These children are not of Thacher blood, but are half-brothers and sisters of the children of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher by his second marriage.

Rev. Peter[2] Thacher made his will on February 1st, 1640-1, and it was probated August 5th, 1641. It is recorded at the Principal Registry of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division of the High Court of Justice in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. A copy of this will duly certified to by the local authorities of its place of deposit here follows. It should be borne in mind, however, that the copy here subjoined is a certified copy of the filed copy of the will itself and not a copy of the original will. Stress is here placed on this fact for the reason heretofore set forth that the filed copy of the will is signed *Peter Thatcher*, whereas the original will itself is clearly signed *Peter Thacher*. In the body of the instrument, whether in copy or original, wherever the name Thatcher appears it is so spelled *Thatcher* and

not Thacher; which is accounted for by the fact that the document was, in the original, not in the handwriting of the testator but in the handwriting of his legal adviser, who spelled the surname of the testator according to the popular acceptation thereof and not according to the testator's own particular way of spelling it.

"Last Will and Testament of Rev. *Peter Thatcher*, of Salisbury, England, extracted from the Principal Registry of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division of the High Court of Justice in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.

"In the Name of God, Amen. The first day of February Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and forty, and in the sixteenth yeare of the raigne of our Soveraigne Lord King Charles,—I, Peter Thatcher of the Cittie of New Sarum, in the Countie of Wilts, clerke, being sick in bodie, but of good and perfect memorie, thanks be given to God for the same, doe ordaine and make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

First:—I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of Almightie God, and my body I commit to the earth from whence it came.

Item:—I give and bequeath to *Peter Thatcher* and *Thomas Thatcher* twoe of my sonnes the some of thirty five pounds in money which was sent over to New England to buy goates, and is in the hands of *my brother Anthonie Thatcher*. Also I give and bequeath to my said two sonnes twenty pounds which is due to me from my said brother for keepinge his child. Also, I give to my said twoe sonnes the several somes of thirty and one pounds and fourteene pounds being in the hands of my brother-in-law Christopher Batt, all which severall somes of money to be equallie divided betweene my said two sonnes. And my will is that my said *sonn Thomas* shall have his legacie paid as convenientlie as may be after my decease. And my said *sonne Peter* to have his legacie paid when he shall have served out his apprenticeship and not before, and in the meantime to be managed by my overseers hereafter named.

Item:—I give to my said *sonn Peter* my greate Brass pott, and Mr. Henry Aynesworth's works and Mr. Roger's his seven treatizes.

Item:—I give and bequeath to *Anne Thatcher,* my daughter, fiftie pounds and all her mother's child-bed lynnen.

Item:—I give and bequeath to *Martha Thatcher* and *Elizabeth Thatcher,* my daughters, to each of them fiftie pounds, which said legacies given to my said three daughters I will shall bee paid onto them when they shall respectively attaine to their several ages of twenty and one yeares or bee married, which of them shall first happen.

Item:—I give and bequeath to *John Thatcher,* my sonne, fiftie pounds to be paid to him when he shall have served out his ap-

prenticeship or shall have attained to his age of twenty and three years, which shall happen first; all of which fower last mentioned legacies of fiftie pounds, being in the whole twoe hundred pounds, my will is shall be paid out of the money's specified and mentioned in a writing now in the hands of *Mr. Francis Dove.*

Item:—I give and bequeath unto my last nominated fower children (viz) *Anne, Martha, Elizabeth* and *John,* to each of them tenn pounds to be paid unto them by my executrix at the tymes limited for the payment of their other legacies. Provided alwaies that if my said daughters or anie or either of them shall marrye before they shall respectively attain to their several ages of twenty and one yeares without the consent of my overseers, or one of them, then such of them as shall soe marrye shall have onlie this last legacie of tenn pounds, and their other legacies of fiftie pounds to be divided amonge the survivours of them at the discretion of my overseers.

Item:—I give and bequeath to *Samuel Thatcher, Paull Thatcher,* and *Barnabas Thatcher,* my three youngest sonnes, to each of them fiftie pounds to bee paid to them when they shall respectively attaine to theire severall ages of twenty and three years. And it is my will that the benefit and comoditie to be made of all the said legacies given unto the said children shall bee bestowed and ymployed by my overseers for and towards the education and maintenance of my said children untill theire legacies shall respectively grow due and paieable in such sorte as my said overseers shall thincke best and fittest for them. And if any of my said children shall dye before his, her or theire legacies shall growe due and payable by this my Will, then my will is that the legacies of him, her or them so dyinge shall be divided amongst the rest of my children surviving by my overseers in such sorte as to them shall seem best and fittest.

Item:—I give to my *two brothers John* and *Anthonie, to my wife's fower sisters, Elizabeth, Margerie, Marie* and *Dorothie,* and *to my sister Ann Batt* to each of them five shillings to make them rings as a remembrance of my love to them.

Item:—I give to my servant *Edithe Davis* forty shillings to be paid to her within one month next after my decease. All the rest of my goods, debts, chattels, plate, ymplements of household stuff and books (except such of my books as I shall give and dispose of by a noate or schedule hereof to be annexed to this my Will, and reserving to my children the plate which was severallie given to them at theire births or since) I give and bequeath to *Alice Thatcher my loving wife* whom I alsoe ordaine and make sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. And I do desire my verie loving friend the said *Francis Dove* and my loving brother-in-law *Richard Allwood,* to be the overseers of this my last Will and Testament to whom I give five shillings apeace in token of my love.

In witness whereof I, the said *Peter Thatcher* have hereunto sett my hand and seale yearen the day and yeare first written.

(copy on general exhibition signed) *Peter Thatcher*
(original will signed) *Peter Thacher*

Signed, sealed, delivered and published by the said *Peter Thatcher* for his last Will and Testament in the presence of *Nathaniel Conduit* and *John Ivie, Jr.*"

The certificate of Probate of this will is filed at Doctors Commons in London, and is written in Latin, of which the following is an accurate translation, viz:—

"The aforesaid will with the schedule annexed was proved at London the fifth day of August Anno Domini sixteen hundred and forty one before the worshipful Sir Henry Marten, Knight, Doctor of Laws, the last appointed Custodian or Commissioner of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, by the oath of *Alice Thacher,* widow of the said deceased and Executrix nominated in such will, to whom was committed administration of all and singular the goods found and held in trust of this same deceased. She swears well and faithfully to administer the same goods upon the holy Evangelists of God before Judge John Bushell, Clerk under, authority (by force) of the commissioner."

SCHEDULE ANNEXED TO WILL.

"Given to my sonn Thomas Thatcher, theis bookes following (vizt)". (Here follows a list of some 117 volumes, the titles recorded in Latin, which books eventually found their way to this country and into the hands of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Weymouth, Mass., then, and subsequently of Old South Church, Boston, the beneficiary named in schedule. Among these books are those given to Rev. Peter[2] Thacher while at Oxford, under the terms of the will of Rev. John Raynolds, President of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, which is proven by the fact that a number of the books in the library of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher which was inherited by his son, Rev. Peter[4] Thacher, of Milton, bore inscriptions showing them to have been given to Rev. Peter[2] Thacher by the executors of Rev. John Raynolds' will.)

"(copy of schedule on general exhibition signed) *Peter Thatcher, testibus.*
(original schedule signed) *Peter Thacher, testibus.*"

In the above will we see that Rev. Peter[2] Thacher mentions his children by his first wife in one group, viz:—Peter, Thomas, Anne, Martha, Elizabeth and John; and those by his second wife in a separate group, viz:—Samuel, Paul and Barnabas. These children are mentioned in the order given above, which is also the order of their birth in so far as we know from the existant records. In as much as Peter is named first I conclude that he was the oldest living child, his elder brother, John first, having died at Milton Clevedon, June —, 1622. All of these children were

undoubtedly living at the time of the making of the will, February 1st, 1640-1, and also at the time of the testator's death, which took place a few days later, February 16, 1640-1. Peter[3] Thacher, according to my belief, came to New England with his Uncle Antony[2], as the latter's apprentice, and was in New England as late as 1641-2, where he was twice haled before the Court, once for running away from his Uncle Antony[2] and once for an act of piracy. After this year he disappears from the Colonial Records, and he may have returned to England, but we have absolutely no record of him beyond the year 1641-2. Thomas[3] Thacher we know came to New England and there remained leaving a numerous posterity. Of Anne[3] Thacher we have no record beyond that of her baptism at St. Edmund's Church. Of Martha[3] Thacher, we know that she married Mr. Richard Parham of London, and nothing more. Of Elizabeth[3] Thacher we know nothing beyond the fact of her baptism at St. Edmund's. Of John[3] Thacher we have given a record so far as it is known to us. Samuel[3] Thacher died in 1646 aged 10 years, and left no issue. Paul[3] Thacher married and his record so far as it is known is heretofore given; and finally Barnabas[3] Thacher died in 1641, a mere child, leaving no issue.

Thomas Batt and his wife Joane (Byley) Batt had the following children, viz.:

I. Christopher, bap. July 16, 1601; who married Anne Baynton.
II. Thomas, bap. Dec. 2, 1602.
III. Alice, bap. Jan. 30th, 1604-5; who married Rev. Peter[2] Thacher as his second wife.
IV. Elizabeth, bap. April 26th, 1607; who married at St. Edmund's Jan. 29th, 1639-40 to Mr. Richard Allwood; and surviving him, she married second July 17th, 1650, Mr. Richard Combe (See N. E. H. G. Reg. Vol. 47, p 135 for will of Richard Allwood).
V. Henry, bap. Oct. 4th, 1609.
VI. Margerie, bap. Sept. ——, 1610.
VII. Mary, bap. Nov. 9, 1616.
VIII. Dorothie, bap. July 18, 1618, who came over to New England on the *Bevis* from Southampton, May -——, 1638, aged 20, with her brother, Christopher Batt.

I have given the above record of the children of Thomas Batt in order to prepare for the discussion of the will of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher.

The will as we see mentions his wife Alice (Batt) Thacher, whom he left residuary legatee and sole executrix. His brothers, Antony[2] and John[2], are both left small legacies of 5 shillings to buy themselves rings; and he distinctly mentions the fact that his brother Antony[2] Thacher was then in New England. He does not mention the residence of his brother John[2] Thacher. He mentions his wife's four sisters, Elizabeth, Margerie, Marie

and Dorothie, who we see are the four sisters of Alice Batt mentioned in the above record of the children of Thomas Batt. It may be well here to remark that Elizabeth (Batt) was then the wife of Richard Allwood, which accounts for Peter[2] Thacher calling him brother-in-law in his will; she subsequently, as we see July 17th, 1650, became the wife of Richard Combe, the celebrated Ana-Baptist, and was the "Mother-in-law's sister, one Mrs. Elizabeth Coombs," mentioned in the letter of 1676 from Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Boston to his son Peter[4] Thacher, who was then sojourning in London. The will also mentions his "sister," Ann Batt. Many genealogists previous to this have argued from insufficient data that this "sister" Ann Batt was born Ann Thacher, *i. e.,* was the blood sister of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher; such, however, was not the case. Rev. Peter[2] Thacher never had a sister Ann; and in fact, so far as we know, never had any sister whatever. This sister Ann Batt was the wife of Christopher Batt, his brother-in-law, and should in the will have properly been called "sister-in-law." Christopher Batt (brother of Alice Batt, the second wife of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher) married by license at St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, October 12th, 1629, to Anne Baynton, a spinster, then aged about 26. (See Diocesan Register of Sarum, Book IV.) Being described in the license as a spinster, she was of course a maiden, and her maiden name was Baynton and not Thacher. Her description in the will as his "sister" means that she was the wife of his brother-in-law, Christopher Batt. Francis Dove, "his verie loving friend," and one of the overseers of his will, was as we have seen also one of the wardens of St. Edmund's Church during the incumbency of the testator and was also twice elected Mayor of Salisbury. The servant, Edith Davis, mentioned in the will bears no relation to the family history. The witnesses to the will are Nathaniel Conduit and John Ivie, Jr. Of the former Nathaniel Conduit we know nothing; it has, however, occurred to me that the latter John Ivie, Jr., is identical with the John Ive with whom Sewell corresponded in London, England, and who was Sewell's agent there in arranging for the liberation of Perez Savage and Thomas[5] Thacher, of Boston, from captivity among the Moors in Mequinez, Barbary,—an account of which will be found under the record of Thomas[5] Thacher, of Boston, and also under record of Thomas[4] Thacher, of Yarmouth, Mass. (who was son of Judah[3] Thacher, son of Antony[2] Thacher).

This completes the history of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, of St. Edmund's, in so far as it is known to us.

4. JOHN[2] THACHER (Rev. Peter[1], of Queen Camel), born at Queen Camel, Co. Som., Eng., ——, 1590-91; resided at Queen Camel, died at Queen Camel, ——, 1653; buried at Queen Camel, February 25th, 1653-4, under middle aisle of St. Barnabas' Church, grave stone; married at ——; date——; to Rebecca ——; born at ——; date ——; died at Queen Camel, December, 1662; buried at Queen Camel December

11th, 1662, under middle aisle of St. Barnabas' Church, grave stone. She was a daughter of ——; and of ——; who resided at ——. Children, 6 (Thacher), two sons and four daughters.

17 i. John,[3] born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; buried at Queen Camel, March 26th, 1621; record of his burial is to be found in the Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel parish register at Wells, Eng.

18 ii. Rebecca,[3] born at ——; date ——; baptized at St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, April 8th, 1623 (See Diocesan transcript of Q. C. Parish Register at Wells). She married Richard Somers and had five (5) children, viz:—Rebecca, Martha, Elizabeth, Samuel and John, as is shown by will of her father and also by will of her mother, and also by will of her brother Peter[3] Thacher. Her father's will is dated February 21st, 1653, and in it he mentions three of her children already born, so she must have been married at least three years previous to 1653.

19 iii. Ann,[3] born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; married first at Queen Camel, June 10th, 1651, to Richard Jeanes, and was a widow in 1662, at date of her mother's will; she married, second, Peter Lambe, who was living November 24th, 1669, as is shown by will of her brother, Peter[3] Thacher. By her first husband she seems not to have had children; by her second husband she had a son, John Lambe.

20 iv. Elizabeth,[3] born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; she married Thomas Banger and had a son, John Banger, as is shown in will of her mother, dated August 20th, 1662.

21 v. Martha,[3] born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; she married Thomas Martin and had three (3) children, viz:—John, Ann and Eleanor, as is shown by will of her mother, dated August 20th, 1662.

22 vi. ——,[3] born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; she married Henry Lodwell, gent. of Queen Camel, by whom she had a son, John Lodwell, who was living November 24th, 1669, as is shown by will of her brother, Peter[3] Thacher. She must have died before August 20th, 1662, as she is not mentioned in her mother's will made that date.

23 vii. Peter,[3] born at ——; date ——; baptized July 27th, 1635; resided at Queen Camel; died at Totness, Co. Devon, England, ——, 1669; buried at Queen Camel,

December 9th, 1669, under tower of St. Barnabas' Church, in porch now partly covered by inner doors, where a blue marble slab marks his resting place thus inscribed: "Here also lyeth the body of Peter, sonne of John Thacher, who was buried December the 9. Ano. Dom. 1669."

From the terms of his will an abstract of which follows, it would appear that he died a bachelor, or a widower without children. His will is filed in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.

"I, Peter Thatcher of Queene Cammell, in the County of Sommersett, Gent., being sick in body, but of sonnd and disposing mind and memory. To be buried in parish church of Queen Camel near the place where my late deceased father was buried. Goods and chattels. First unto John Sommers of Blaufert in County of Dorset, gent.; John Lodwell, son of Henry Lodwell of Queen Camel, gent.; John Martin, son of Thomas Martin of Petermore-Milton, in the County of Somerset, yeoman, and John Lambe of West Camel, alias Abbot's Camel in the said County, yeoman; all my messuages, lands and tenements in Queen Camel aforesaid, or elsewhere in the said County to hold unto the said John Sommers, John Lodwell, John Martin and John Lambe their heirs and assigns forever.

To the first son of the said John Sommers, John Lodwell, John Martin and John Lambe, as shall be lawfully begotten by either of them and christened by the name of Thatcher, being by me intended for the future preservation and remembrance of my surname, my silver watch, which is to remain in the hands of my executors hereafter named until the same shall be by such of them to whom the same shall belong lawfully demanded.

To my cousin John Lodwell, the cane with an ivory head I use to walk withal. I give and bequeath to Thomas Martin and Peter Lambe, my brother-in-law and make them my whole and sole executors of this my will.

Dated November 24th, 21 Car. II. 1669.

(sgd) PETER THATCHER.

In presence of James Winston, Cary Jones, Roger Peck (the sign of) George Hodge (the sign of)

Proved *apud cedes Exonionsis* (Exeter House) situate in the Strand in the County of Middlesex, March 11th, 1669-70, *justa cursam et computa honem Ecclesiae Anglicanae*——42 Penn".

Nothing is known further of John[2] Thacher than that he lived at Queen Camel, and that he matriculated at Queen's College, Oxford, October 19th, 1604, as son of a clergyman from Somerset, he being on that date full 13 years of age; and that he died at Queen Camel between February 21st and and 25th, 1653. Of his son John[3] Thacher we have no information beyond the record of his burial. Of his daughter Rebecca[3] we have the record of her baptism. All of the other information concerning his children we gather from his own will, and that of his wife Rebecca Thacher, and that of his son Peter[3] Thacher.

John[2] Thacher left a nuncupative will dated February 21st, 1653, which is on file in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, of which the following is a correct abstract, viz.:

"1655—Aylett 193.

Will of John Thacher of Queene Camel, Co. Somerset, being sicke of bodie, Nuncupative will dated February 21st, 1653; to dau Elizabeth a chattell lease of Close called Long Close, and 3 score and 18 pounds (£78). To Rebecca Sommers her 3 children that are allreadie born £50 to be paid by Executrix; neither the father nor mother of said children shall have the disposing; to John Lodwell £5; to Elizabeth Burton 40 sh; wife Rebecca Residuary Legatee and sole executrix;

Witnesses Anne Crawes (?)

Marie Thacher (the marke of)

Probated 19th July, 1655, by Executrix."

Marie Thacher, the second witness to the above will, was undoubtedly the second wife and widow of Thomas[2] Thacher of Queen Camel, whom she married at Queen Camel September 24th, 1621.

Of Rebecca, the wife of John[2] Thacher of Queen Camel, we have no record beyond the fact of her baptismal name. She made a will dated August 20, 1662, which will is filed in the Arch Deaconry Court at Wells, Co. Som., Eng., of which the following is a correct abstract, viz.:

"Rebecca Thacher of Queen Camel, in the County of Somerset, widow—20th August, 1662. To be buried in the parish church of Queen Camel by my late husband and his relatives. Richard Somers, my son-in-law 5sh; my son-in-law Thomas Martin 5 sh; my son-in-law Thomas Banger 5 sh; Rebecca Somers, my eldest daughter; Rebecca Somers my grand-daughter; Martha Somers my grand-daughter; Elizabeth Somers and Samuel Somers the two youngest children of Richard Somers above named. My daughter Ann Jeanes, widow. My daughter, Elizabeth Banger. John Banger, my grand-son. My daughter, Martha Martin, my grand-son John Martin; Ann and Eleanor Martin, my grand-daughters. My grand-son John Lodwell. My Kinswoman and god-daughter, Betty Eastmont. My cousin

'Mariery' Parsons, one of the daughters of my cousin Andrew Parsons, of West Camel. Cousins Ann Martin, Mary Martin and Dorothy Martin, the daughters of Nicholas Martin. The aged woman of Queen Camel that are poor and have no relief from the parish.

Item:—I give unto my son, Peter Thacher, one chattel lease of a close of meadow or pasture ground commonly called 'Long Close,' to hold and enjoy the same meadow or pasture ground with the appurtenances for and during the residue of 99 yeares yet to come and unexpired, if the lives in the said lease mentioned happen so long to live; and also one chattel lease of a messuage, tenement house and living with the appurtenances wherein I now dwell, commonly called Davidges tenement to have, hold and enjoy the same tenement and premises for and during the remainder of a term of four score and nineteen (99) yeares yet to come and unexpired as in and by the said lease; relation being thereunto had as may at large appeare: whom I make and ordaine my sole executor of this my last will, hereby revoking all former and other wills by me made.

(Signed) Rebeckha Thacher (Seal of Arms) her mark.

Sealed, delivered and published in the presence of us: John Eastmont, Richard Martin, John Warre, John Durrant.

Proved at Wells April 18th, 1669. Inventory £99, 5^{sh}, 0^{d}.

Arch Deaconry Court of Wells No. 36 of 1664. Wells Registry of Probate."

The seal attached to this will as the mark of Rebecca Thacher is the regular Thacher coat-of-arms of Sussex County, England, viz.: "*Gules,* a cross moline *argent;* on a chief *or,* three grasshoppers. Crest, a grasshopper resting on a helmet." The tinctures and metals of this seal are of course not given in this wax impression; but they are indicated by the conventional engraving known to heraldry. The arms on this seal are identical with those used on the letter of 1676 from Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Boston (nephew of this Rebecca Thacher) to his son Peter[4] Thacher, who was then sojourning in London, Eng. The simultaneous use of the same arms by nephew and aunt on both sides of the water, is the strongest proof of the right of the Yarmouth-Boston Thacher family to use these same arms.

From the will of John[2] Thacher we see that on February 21st, 1653, his daughter Elizabeth[3] Thacher had apparently not yet married; that his daughter Rebecca[3] Thacher had been previously married to one Sommers and had borne unto him three (3) children.

From the fact that his other children then living (Ann[3], Martha[3], ——[3], wife of Henry Lodwell, and Peter[3] Thacher) are not mentioned in their father's will, it is to be inferred that they were either at that date minors or else that they had previously been given their share of the testator's estate during his lifetime. It would also seem that they were, with the exception

of Ann[3] (Thacher) Jeanes, not married at that date, unless possibly the John Lodwell to whom John[2] Thacher left £5 was the John Lodwell, son of Henry Lodwell, by his wife ——[3] Thacher

From the will of Rebecca Thacher (widow of John[2]) dated August 20, 1662, we see that her eldest daughter Rebecca[3] Thacher had previous to that date married Richard Sommers and had borne unto him the four children mentioned in said will. Ann[3] Thacher, her second daughter, had previously, June 10th, 1651, married one Richard Jeanes, and was at date of will a widow, presumably without children. Elizabeth[3] Thacher, her third daughter, had previously married Thomas Banger and had borne unto him a son named John Banger. Martha[3] Thacher, her fourth daughter, had previously married Thomas Martin and had borne unto him three (3) children as named in the will. ——[3] Thacher, her fifth daughter, had previously married Henry Lodwell and borne unto him a son named John Lodwell; and from the fact that this ——[3] (Thacher) Lodwell is not mentioned in her mother's will it is fair to presume that at date of will she was dead, having left but this one child, John Lodwell. The terms of the will also indicate that at its date the testatrix's son, Peter[3] Thacher, was was not married, or if married, that he had up to that time no children.

From the terms of the will of Peter[3] Thacher (John[2]) dated November 24th, 1669, it is to be distinctly inferred, from lack of all reference to wife or children, that he died either not married, or a widower without living children. The mention of a Peter Lambe as his brother-in-law introduces another name into the family not previously mentioned in the will of John [2]Thacher nor in the will of Rebecca Thacher; and it is clearly indicated that Ann[3] (Thacher) Jeanes, who was a widow, August 20th, 1662, the date of her mother's will, had subsequently married again to Peter Lambe by whom she had a son named John Lambe. Also the mention of *John Sommers,* of Blaufert, in the same category as John Lodwell, John Martin and John Lambe, who were all three the testator's nephews, indicates that this John Sommers was also his nephew, *i. e.*, a fifth child of his sister Rebecca[3] Thacher by her husband Richard Sommers.

John[2] Thacher and Rebecca his wife and his son Peter[3] Thacher were buried under the porch beneath the tower of St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Camel, where a blue marble slab (now partly covered by the inner doors of the church) marks their resting place, which slab is thus inscribed, with an ornamental border, hour glass and cherubs in upper corners:

"Here lyeth the -odi of John Thacher who was buried the 25th day of Februa ry Ano Dom 1653"	"Here lyeth also Rebecka the wife of John Thacher who was buryed the 11 day of Decem ber Ano Dom 1662"	"Here also lyeth the body of Peter sonne of John Thacher who was buried Deecmber the 9 Ano Dom 1669"

The mention of Cousins, in the will of Rebecca Thacher (widow of John[2]), whose names were respectively Parsons and Martin, suggests that possibly the maiden surname of Rebecca Thacher was either Parsons or Martin; the cousins named being the children of her uncles of the name of Parsons or Martin, one of whom may have been her paternal uncle. This, however, is mere conjecture.

6. Thomas[2] Thacher (Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel) born at Queen Camel, date ——; died at Queen Camel, August ——, 1650; buried at Queen Camel, August 24th, 1650 (see St. Barnabas Church Register); married first at ——; date ——; to Alice ——; she was born at ——; date ——; died at Queen Camel, March ——, 1620-1, and was buried at Queen Camel the "last day of March" 1620-1. Her parentage being unknown. He married second at Queen Camel, September 24th, 1621, to Marie Lokier, who was born at ——; date ——; she died at Queen Camel between December 24th, 1668, and April 28th, 1669. Her parentage is unknown. Children 5 (Thacher) all probably by second wife and probably all born in Queen Camel.

24. i. Thomas[3], born at ——; date ——; resided at Queen Camel in 1648, died at ——; date ——; married at Sherborne, Dorset Co., Eng., February 25th, 1648 (see Vol. 1 Sherborne Register) to Joane Smith (widow) whose parentage is unknown.

He was executor and residuary legatee of his mother's will dated Dec. 24, 1668.

Children: 3 (Thacher) daughters:

i. Mary; baptized at Sherborne, Dorset, January 16th, 1649.
ii. Jane; baptized at Sherborne, Dorset, July 6th, 1652.
iii. Agnes.

In the Registry of Probate at Wells, Co. Som., Eng., I find a will recorded of which the following is an abstract, viz.:

"Joane Thatcher of Sherborne, Dorset Co., Eng., widow, will dated Dec. 27th, 1689; proved at Wells, February 11th, 1694. Mentions daughter Mary, wife of John Jeffrey of Sherborne £40. Mentions daughter Joane, wife of John Higgins of Wells, buttonmaker. Grand-daughter Mary Higgins, best bed and its furniture at 21 years of age. Grand son Samuel Smith. Grand-daughter Mary Smith. Daughter Jane, wife of Francis King of Sherborne, maltster, to be Residuary Legatee and Executrix."

Joane Thacher, wife of Thomas[3] Thacher, was a widow named Smith when he married her

February 25th, 1648, at Sherborne; therefore the above will looks as if it were her will for the following reasons. The daughter Mary, wife of John Jeffrey, might well be the daughter Mary Thacher, baptized at Dorset, January 16th, 1649. The daughter Joane, wife of John Higgins, might also be a daughter by her first marriage to —— Smith. The mention of her grandson Samuel Smith, suggests the fact of her having had a son —— Smith, by her first marriage to —— Smith. Her daughter Jane, wife of Francis King of Sherborne, malster, might also be the daughter Jane Thacher, baptized at Sherborne, July 6th, 1652. The non-mention of her daughter, Agnes Thacher, suggests her death previous to December 27th, 1689, either not married or without issue. This is, however, a mere suggested possibility, but it looks probable.

25. ii. Peter[3], born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; he resided probably at Queen Camel, married at ——; date ——; to ——; whose parentage is unknown.

Children: 2 (Thacher) daughters.

i. Mary, mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24th, 1868.

ii. Anne, mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24th, 1668.

26. iii. William[3],, born at Queen Camel, May ——, 1629; baptized at Queen Camel, May 20th, 1629 (See Diocesan transcript of Queen Camel Register). As he is not mentioned in his mother's will it is to be inferred that he died previous to December 24th, 1668, either unmarried or without issue.

27. iv. Anne[3], born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; married Richard Nowell. Child: 1 (Nowell) daughter.

i. Mary, mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24th, 1668.

28. v. Mary, born at ——; date ——; died at ——; date ——; married at Queen Camel, November 20th, 1648, to William Stevens.

Children: [3] (Stevens) daughters, and others, names and sex not mentioned.

i. Mary; mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24th, 1668.

ii. Anne; mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24, 1668.

iii. Jane; mentioned in her grandmother's will Dec. 24, 1668.

Thomas[2] Thacher died intestate in August, 1650; administration on his estate was granted unto his widow, Marie Thatcher of Queene Camel, Co. Som., Eng., on November 7th, 1650. (See Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Administration Book "A" folio 162.)

The will of Mary Thacher (widow of Thomas[2]) is filed in the Arch Deaconry Court at Wells, Co. Som., Eng., and the following is a correct abstract thereof, viz.:

"Mary Thatcher of Queen Cammell in the County of Somerset, widow. To Peter Thatcher my son the furnace in my present house at Camel, the chest, the bedstead in the hall with the bed-holder and pillow thereto belonging and the table board and form in the hall. Unto his wife, my best green apron. To Mary and Anne, his two daughters one pewter dish apiece. Unto my son Thomas Thatcher, my best brass pan, my bedstead in the middle chamber, my carpet and one coffer which was his father's. Unto his wife my two best napkins. Unto their daughters Mary, Jane and Agnes one pewter platter apiece 'of the best,' and one table napkin apiece. Unto my daughter, Anne Nowell, the sum of £40, which is now in John Martine's hands of Cammell; also to her my little brass pan, my little brass kettle, one beer barrel, my box, one tyneing flagon, my best holland apron, my best hat, my best whittle, my riding-coat, two petticoats, and the 'halfen deale' of all my linen not otherwise particularly mentioned. Unto Richard Nowell, my son-in-law, my sitting trow. Unto Mary, his daughter, one pewter dish.

Unto my daughter, Mary Stevens, forty pounds; twenty pounds thereof being now in my son Peter's hands, and the other twenty pounds in my son Thomas, his hands; to be paid unto her to and for her use at such times as my well beloved friends William Barton of Puddimore, Jasper Batt of Streate and John Anderdon of Bridgewater, or any two of them, or the survivor of them shall judge meet. And that my son Thomas Thatcher, my executor hereafter named shall yield and pay unto his sister Mary Stevens, yearly the interest of the monies remaining in his hands. And if any part of the said sum of forty pounds remain in my executor's hands unpaid to my said daughter Mary Stevens in her life time, my will is that such remainder shall be divided amongst her children according to their necessity or more or less to the one or the other as those my friends aforenamed or either of them, then living shall also judge meet. And my desire further is that the first twenty pounds above mentioned in his brother Peter's hands be laid out for his estate in my house and backside in Cammell, and Mary's life put therein, if they can so agree, as I hope they will, that she may have a habitation to dwell in while she lives. And that my son Thomas will exchange his right in the said house and backside after his brother Peter, for Mary's right in the other small house in Cammell which she hath therein after her brother Thomas. And I hope they will also agree ac-

cording to my desire. I give unto my daughter two second brass pans, and after her decease to remain to her two daughters, Mary and Anne Stevens. I give unto my said daughter, Mary two pewter candlesticks, one beer barrel, my best petticoat, and waistcoat and the other 'halpen deale' of my linen undisposed of. I give unto her daughter Mary Stevens my holland pillowcase, my dowlas, apron and my serge petticoat. Unto Jane Stevens, her sister, my frock; and to each of the rest of William Stevens, his children, one implement of household stuff apiece of what is not before given, as my son Thomas sees meet, as a small manifestation of my love to them. All the rest of my goods and chattels not before given. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Thatcher, whom I make and ordain to be the sole and only executor of this my last will and testament. Dated the XXiiij day of December 1668 MDCLXViii.

The Mark of M (seal)
Mary Thacher

Signed, sealed and published to be my last will in the presence of
(the mark of) Thomas Parrar.
(sgd) Robert Chaffey.
(the mark of) Jacob Turner.

Proved April 28th 1669.

Value of inventory £88 2 sh 4 d. Arch Deaconry Court of Wells."

This Mary Thacher (widow of Thomas[2] Thacher) was the witness Marie Thacher of the will of her brother-in-law John[2] Thacher dated February 21st, 1653.

This concludes the genealogy of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, England, and that of his children who remained in England in so far as we have deemed it advisable to pursue the collection and recording thereof. We will now take up the genealogical record of Antony[2] Thacher (Rev. Peter[1]) and of his descendants down to date.

CORRECTIONS:

Part I, p. 4. 6th line from bottom, date of death of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher should read "Feb. 16, 1640-1," instead of "Feb. 14, 1640-1."

Part I, p. 6. 6th line from top, for "Newtown" read "Newton."

Part II, p. 21. 14th, 12th and 7th lines from bottom of page, dates of birth of Rev. Peter,[2] Antony,[2] and John[2] Thacher, should respectively read "1587-8, 1588-9, and 1590-1," instead of "1687-8, 1688-9, and 1690-1."

Part II, p. 30. 16th and 17th lines from bottom of page, "sequentional" should read "sequential."

GENEALOGICAL RECORD OF ANTONY[2] THACHER, OF YARMOUTH, MASS., AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. ANTONY[2] THACHER (Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, of Queen Camel), born at Queen Camel, Co. Somerset, England, ——, 1588-9; resided at Queen Camel, Eng., Salisbury, Eng., Marblehead (then Salem) Mass., and Yarmouth, Mass.; he was a curate of the Church of England and one of the original grantees of the town of Yarmouth, Mass.; he died at Yarmouth, Mass., between June 30th, 1667, and August 22nd, 1667, and was buried on his own land in Yarmouth. He married, first, at ——; date—— 1619, about; to Mary ——; born at ——; date ——; she died at Salisbury, England, July ——, 1634, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, Salisbury, July 26th, 1634, and was interred probably in the yard of that church, although no stone marks her grave; her parentage is unknown. He married, second, at ——; February ——, 1635, about six weeks before the date of his sailing for New England, which was on April 5th, 1635, to Elizabeth Jones, born at ——; date ——; died at Yarmouth, Mass., presumably, although we have no record thereof; date of death ——, subsequent to the death of her husband as she was appointed his executrix; she was presumably buried alongside of her husband. Her parentage is unknown, but she was a sister of Richard Jones, of Dorchester, Mass., who came to this country from Dinder, England, sailing from Waimouth, Eng., March 20th, 1635.

Children eight (Thacher); three sons and two daughters by first marriage; two sons and one daughter by second marriage.

Children by first marriage:

29 i. William,[3] born at ——; date ——, previous to 1620, according to D. W. Allen's Thacher genealogy, p. 32; on what authority he makes the statement I do not know; he came to this country with his father in the "*James*," died August 15th, 1635, being drowned in shipwreck on that date, and his body was not recovered. The place of his birth is not a matter of record.

30 ii. Edith,[3], born at Queen Camel, Co. Som., Eng., probably about February 1st, 1621-2, as it is recorded in the Diocesan transcript of the Queen Camel Parish Register at Wells that she was baptized at Queen Camel by Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, February 7th, 1621-2. She died August 15th, 1635, being drowned in shipwreck on that date and her body was not recovered.

31 iii. Mary,[3] born at ——; date ——; died August 15th, 1635, being drowned in shipwreck on that date; her body was not recovered. The place of her birth is not a matter of record.

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32 iv. Peter,[3] born at ——; date ——; died August 15th, 1635, being drowned in shipwreck on that date; his body was not recovered. The place of his birth is not a matter of record.

33 v. Benjamin,[3] born at Salisbury, Eng., on Sunday, April 13th, 1634, "between the hours of one and two o'clock in the morning"; and was baptized at St. Edmund's Church, April 27th, 1634, according to the Parish Register of that Church; he died at Salisbury, Eng., about September 1st, 1639, and was buried from St. Edmund's Church, September 4th, 1639, and was probably interred in the yard of that Church, but no stone marks his grave. This child was left by his father when he left Salisbury to embark for New England in the care of the child's uncle, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, of St. Edmund's to whom Antony[2] Thacher agreed to pay £20 for his maintenance which agreement is mentioned in the will of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's (*quod vide*).

Children by second marriage; vi. born at Marblehead (then Salem) Mass.; vii. and viii. probably born at Yarmouth, Mass.

+34 vi. John,[3] born March 17th, 1638-9; died at Yarmouth, Mass., May 8th, 1713; married, first, Rebecca Winslow; married, second, Lydia Gorham.

+35 vii. Judah,[3] born ——; died at Yarmouth, Mass, November 4th, 1676; married Mary Thornton.

+36 viii. Bethia,[3] born——; died probably at Bristol, R. I., on December 19th, 1725; married Jabez Howland.

Antony[2] Thacher was born in Queen Camel in 1588-9. We have no distinct record of his birth there as the parish register of St. Barnabas' Church is not in existence covering that period of time, and the earliest date in the Diocesan transcript of that Register at Wells is 1601. But, as his father, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, was living then at Queen Camel as Vicar of St. Barnabas we are justified in assuming him to have been born there, especially so as it is recorded in the ordination papers of his brother, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's that he, Rev. Peter,[2] was born in Queen Camel. As Antony[2] Thacher was curate under his brother, Rev. Peter[2] at St. Edmund's it has always been justifiably conjectured that he was younger than Rev. Peter[2]; and it is a matter of early family record that Antony[2] Thacher died in Yarmouth, Mass., in 1667 aged about 80 years. These facts taken in connection one with another place the date of his birth as 1588-9.

The first absolute record which we have relative to him subsequent to his birth, is the record of the baptism of his daughter Edith[3], who, according to the Diocesan transcript of the Queen

Camel parish register at Wells, was baptized at Queen Camel by Rev. Peter[1] Thacher (her grandfather) on February 7th, 1621-2. He probably spent his childhood in Queen Camel, but what was his residence from the time he gained his majority until the year 1621 we do not know. The tradition exists that he was a college graduate, but I have never, after much search, obtained any evidence that such was the case. In 1621 he was 32 years of age and for eleven years had been of man's estate. Where was he during these eleven years? His daughter Edith's baptism in Queen Camel in 1621-2 suggests his residence there at that time; and it has been thought by some, in which view I fully concur, that after reaching man's estate, having prepared for the ministry either under his father or perhaps at college, he was curate under his father at Queen Camel until the latter's death in 1624, and subsequently acted in the same capacity under his brother at St. Edmund's, Salisbury. The exact time of his becoming associated with St. Edmund's is not known. The parish Register of St. Edmund's, No. 2, which covers the period of time previous to 1630, has been missing from the custody of the parish for many years; and it is in this book that probably would appear the record of the date of the first appearance of Antony[2] Thacher at St. Edmund's. However, in the parish Register No. 3 there appears numerous entries made by him over his signature during the year 1631, 1633 and 1634, after which latter year his name disappears from the Register. I think that shortly after his father's death in 1624 he became curate at St. Edmund's under his brother, Rev. Peter[2], who had been installed as rector there in 1622-3.

Who his first wife, Mary ——, was we do not know (See Note 1 following immediately after completion of record of Antony[2] Thacher), except that her baptismal name was Mary. When and where he married her is not known; nor have we any knowledge of her parentage. D. W. Allen in his Thacher genealogy, p. 32, says that his son, William[3] Thacher was born previous to 1620; but upon what authority he makes the statement I have never discovered; but if the statement is correct then his marriage took place in 1619 or previously. Should the parish register of Queen Camel, covering that period, ever be discovered (1574-1624) we will probably find therein the record of his birth and possibly that of his marriage, and that of the birth of his child William[3] and possibly that of Mary[3] and Peter[3]. Otherwise these questions must be answered by deductive reasoning rather than by documentary evidence. Record Book No. 3 of St. Edmund's parish dates from January 21st, 1630 Old Style, 1631 New Style; and in that book there are numerous entries of Parish transactions attested to by Antony[2] Thacher over his own signature as curate, amongst which I select the following, viz.:

"1634—April 27th Benjamin, son of Antony and Mary Thacher, borne on Sunday ye 13th day, between the hours of one

and two oclocke in the morning, was baptized the 27th day of the same month of April 1634. 1634—July 26th, Mary wife to Anthony Thacher, cleric, was buried."

Shortly after his first wife's death Antony[2] Thacher must have made up his mind to emigrate to New England, for we find that he embarked for New England from Southampton April 5th, 1635, on the ship *James* of London bound for this country. (See Note 2 following immediately after completion of the record of Antony[2] Thacher for complete copy of sailing list of *James* on this trip). From the sailing list of the *James* we see that he is entered thereon as being a "tayler" and that he had with him his servant, Peter Higdon; no mention by name is made of his second wife, Elizabeth Jones, whom he is said to have married six (6) weeks before sailing, nor is mention made of his children by his first wife (William[3], Edith[3], Mary[3] and Peter[3]), who accompanied him, they being included among the wives and children not named, referred to in that list. It is however definitely known that his second wife did accompany him. Nor is mention made on the list of the *James* of his nephew, Thomas[3] Thacher, who also accompanied him on this trip.

1635. February —; i.e., about 6 weeks previous to embarking on the *James,* he married Elizabeth Jones. Where this marriage took place, the parentage of the said Elizabeth Jones and her previous place of residence is not known. She was, however, undoubtedly the sister of Richard Jones of Dinder, England, who came over to this country in March, 1635, sailing from Waimouth, England, March 20th, 1635, and who settled in Dorchester, Mass. (See Note 3 following immediately after the completion of the record of Antony[2] Thacher). Benjamin[3], his youngest son by his first wife, was left behind in England in charge of his brother, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher.

The probable cause of Antony[2] Thacher's emigration was his desire to secure a home free from religious persecution then so prevalent in England; on account of this same religious espionage, he probably styled himself a "tayler" on the passenger list of the "James," when in reality he was, or had been almost up to the time of sailing, a curate of the established English Church at Salisbury. He so styled himself in order to avoid the rigid scrutiny he would have had to undergo if he had announced himself as formerly a curate of an English Church of pronounced Puritan faith. He may have been a "tayler" by trade, as curates of Puritan faith were many of them in the humble callings of life; but if such was the case, it is positive that in this country he never followed his trade, but was always regarded as a man of literary attainments and occupied a leading and prominent position in the community in which he dwelt. He was also accompanied on this voyage of the *James* by his "cousin," Rev. Joseph Avery, and his wife and children, between whom and Antony[2] Thacher there had been entered into

a league of perpetual friendship and an agreement to inhabit the same place. Rev. Joseph Avery's name, however, does not appear on the list of the *James*, and he probably came over under an assumed name to avoid scrutiny, as he was a Puritan priest. William Kemp was also a passenger on this trip of the *James*. This William Kemp was the one who was the first husband of Elizabeth Partridge, who, when she became his widow, married as her second husband Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher of Weymouth, Mass. then (subsequently of old South Church, Boston, Mass.), she being Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher's first wife.

The exact place of landing in New England of the Ship *James*, and the date of such landing does not appear to be agreed upon by the authorities; "Young's Chronicles" states that the ship arrived at Boston, June 3rd, 1635; "Freeman's Cape Cod" states that it arrived at Newbury, Mass., June 4th, 1635, and D. W. Allen's Thacher genealogy states that it arrived at Ipswich, Mass., June 4th, 1635. Wherever the passengers first landed Antony[2] Thacher and family sojourned a short time thereafter in Ipswich, Mass., during which time Rev. Joseph Avery received a call to preach in Marblehead, Mass. (then a part of Salem, Mass.), which call after some deliberation he decided to accept, Antony[2] Thacher and Rev. Joseph Avery and their families having in the meantime removed to Newbury, Mass., with a view to settling there. Rev. Joseph Avery having accepted the call to Marblehead, he and his family of eleven all told, accompanied by Antony[2] Thacher and his wife Elizabeth (Jones) Thacher, and his children by his first wife (William[3], Edith[3], Mary[3] and Peter[3]), went to Ipswich, Mass., and there on April 11th, 1635, embarked for Marblehead.

In the celebrated letter which he wrote to his brother, Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of Salisbury, England, after the shipwreck which terminated this voyage, Antony[2] Thacher states that his family consisted of seven (7) souls: himself, wife and four children make but six; who the 7th one of the party was is not clear to me. If the 7th was his servant, Peter Higdon, mentioned in the sailing list of *James*, then according to the letter written after the wreck, he, Peter Higdon, was drowned; as the only survivors of the wreck were Antony[2] Thacher and his wife. I do not myself think that Peter Higdon accompanied him on this voyage, but do think that Peter Higdon, who was in reality, according to my views, Peter[3] Thacher (son of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of Salisbury) accompanied his brother Thomas[3] Thacher on his overland trip to Marblehead. Antony[2] Thacher's nephew, Thomas[3] Thacher, was impressed with a sentiment of evil foreboding as regards this voyage, and determined to make the journey overland despite the danger attendant thereupon from hostile Indians. The party embarked from Ipswich for Marblehead on the date above stated in a pinnace belonging

to Mr. Isaac Allerton; and the vessel was wrecked on August 15th, 1635, and all on board were lost except Antony[2] Thacher and his second wife, Elizabeth (Jones) Thacher. The fact that it is recorded that all on board were lost except Antony[2] and his wife leads me to conclude that Peter Higdon did not accompany them on this voyage as before stated. It seems to me that this Peter Higdon was in reality Antony[2] Thacher's nephew, Peter[3] Thacher, who subsequently appears in 1641 and 1642 in Marblehead as under the care of Antony[2] Thacher. If this is so then the 7th member of Antony[2] Thacher's family who accompanied him on this voyage was some person of unknown name to us, probably some retainer of his household. The entire episode of the wreck so frequently referred to by early New England chronicles is best set forth in Antony[2]'s letter to his brother, Peter[2] Thacher, written a few days after his rescue from the island on which he was cast after the wreck, which island has since been known as Thacher's Island. The storm which occasioned the wreck was a most memorable one, during which the tide rose some 20 feet; and it was said to have been the most terrific storm within the memory of the native Indians thereabouts. For a copy of this letter of Antony[2] Thacher, see Note No. 4, to follow immediately after completion of Record of Antony[2] Thacher.

A cradle coverlet of scarlet broadcloth originally trimmed with gold lace (which lace souvenir hunters have entirely picked off), said to have been originally the property of Antony[2] Thacher, and to have been rescued by him from the shipwreck, was still in 1872 in the possession of one of Antony[2] Thacher's descendants in Yarmouth, Mass., and was held by the family in great veneration, and has been used by the family for many generations as a ceremonial covering for their children at their baptisms.

From the letter of Antony[2] Thacher written after the shipwreck we see that when rescued from "Thacher's Island" he was taken to Marblehead, Mass. Colony, and there it will be seen from the following evidence he remained some time. Marblehead was not set off from Salem as a separate town until the year 1649; so while residing in that place, he was in reality an inhabitant of Salem, Mass., of which town the territory subsequently set off as Marblehead then formed a part, viz:—

"Att the Court holden at New Towne, September 1st, 1635.

"There is administration granted to Mr. Antony Thacher of the goods and Chattells of Mr. Joseph Avery, deceased, which he is to inventory and return the same to the next Court; and the said goods are to remain in his hands until further order be taken therein.

"An Inventory of the Goods and Chattells of Joseph Avery, deceased.

"Due to him from John Emery, Carpenter £7. 0sh 0d
"Item: From Robert Andrews of Ipswich which he confesseth to be due and to be paid forth with £2. 0. 0
"Item: From Mr. Wm. Hilton £2. 16. 0
Or a sowe and piggs to that value
testis Richard Hunt.
From Richard Kent of Ipswich 10 bushels of Indian corn which he acknowledges.

"John Emery denys his debt; but Richard Knight, Nicholas Holle and John Knight, all three of Newbery can and will testify and prove it to be due; only he was by condicion to pay the said £7 in his work, which he was to do so soon as Mr. Avery did call upon him for it; out of which £7, there is something paid in labor already, as he can make appeare.

per me *Antony Thacher*"

It is well here to note that Antony[2] Thacher always in signing his name spelt Antony without the "h." This was probably due to the fact that as curate in the English Church he was in the habit of writing in Latin, as the church records in those days were in the majority of instances written in that language, they going so far even as to use the Latin forms of English baptismal names; and hence from writing his name Antonius (in Latin) he acquired the custom of writing it Antony in English, instead of Anthony, the more commonly accepted English form of the name. Whether my surmise is correct or not, "Antony" he was and not "Anthony" as he was so often styled by the contemporaneous records and writers of his time.

"September 3rd, 1635. Att the General Court houlden at New Towne.
It is ordered that there shall be fforty markes given to Mr. Thacher out of the Treasury towards his late great losses."

In Governor Winthrop's History of New England, he states that the General Court awarded Mr. Thacher £26, 13sh, 4d towards his losses; and divers good people gave him besides.

In a list of first settlers of Salem, Mass., Antony[2] Thacher is named as being of that place in 1635.

1636-7: "At a General Court houlden at Boston, 1st month, 9th day, 1636-7, Mr. Antony[2] Thacher had granted him the small island at the head of Cape Ann upon which he was preserved from shipwreck, as his proper inheritance."

1637-8: On the first day of January, 1637 (1637-8) a meeting was held at Salem, Mass., and a vote of £100 was ordered, of which £8 were to be assessed upon the following inhabitants of Marblehead:

* * * 20 (acres) Anthonie Thatcher. * * * The figures preceeding the name of Antony[2] Thacher, as well as those preceeding all other names, represented the number of acres held

by each inhabitant, upon which acreage the proportionate amount of the tax was assessed.

It is stated by some of the early authorities that Antony[2] Thacher spent some time in Marshfield, as an inhabitant of that town, previous to his permanent settlement in Yarmouth, Mass.; but I have been unable to trace any such residence there, or to discover any foundation in documentary evidence to substantiate such statement, which I am inclined to think was an unfounded report.

1638: At a General Court held at Plymouth, Plymouth Colony, December 18th, 1638.

"Mr. John Crow, Mr. Thomas Howes of Mattacheese, alias Yarmouth, took oath of allegiance to the Kinge and fidelity to government; and likewise Mr. Anthony Thacher took the same on the 7th day of January, 1638-9." This record above probably fixes the date upon which Antony[2] Thacher first became associated with Yarmouth.

"At a Court of Assistants held (at Plymouth) the vii of January in the xiiij yeare of the reigne of our Souvraigne Lord Charles, by the Grace of God, of England, Scotland and France, and Ireland, King, defender of the faith, etc. * * *

The names of those to whom the grant of land at Mattacheeset now called Yarmouth is made.	Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. Thomas Howes, Mr. John Crow, Mr. John Coite, to be enquired of
The names of those that are proposed to take up their freedom at Yarmouth	Mr. Madrick Matthews, Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. John Crowe, Mr. Thomas Howes, and others.

At a General Court at Plymouth, March 5, 1638-9. "It is ordered by the Court that Mr. Nicholas Sympkins, William Palmer, Philip Tabor, and Joshua Barnes, of the town of Yarmouth, shall be added to Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. Thomas Howes and Mr. John Crowe, committee of the said place, to make an equal division of the planting lands now to be divided for the first time there, to each in and according to his estate and quality and according to instructions."

John[3] Thacher, eldest child of Antony[2] Thacher and Elizabeth Jones, his second wife, was born at Marblehead, Massachusetts Colony, March 17, 1638-9.

1639. The following record of Court proceedings at Salem, Mass. Colony, together with the preceding record of the birth of John[3] Thacher at Marblehead, Mass., in same Colony, show that Antony[2] Thacher was at these dates occupied in transferring his interests from Marblehead, Mass. Colony to Yarmouth, Plymouth Colony; and that although he himself was already a large land owner of Yarmouth, he had as yet not transferred his family and made his permanent home there.

"Att Salem, 25th of the 4th month, 1639, ye 13th Courte. A complaint brought in by Mr. Anthonie Thatcher against Jane James for things taken forth of his house wch she had received. Wherefore Jane James is bound in recognizance in the some of 3ll (shillings) to answer to this Court this tyme twelve months. The boys to be whipped by the Governor of the ffamilie where he had offended."

From the above official records we see that Antony[2] Thacher was one of the original grantees of Yarmouth; and from the precedence given his name in these records it is to be inferred was the most important of the three original grantees. He was one of the first settlers of that town, and established his house and dwelling there late in 1639, on the border of the meadows in the Northwest part of the village. The exact spot on which his homestead stood was a little knoll about midway between the residence (in 1872) of Mrs. James G. Hallett and that of Mr. Dustin Eldridge at Yarmouth Port, Mass.

At a General Court at Plymouth, Dec. 3rd, 1639. Anthony[2] Thacher admitted freeman and sworn accordingly.

1639-40. At a General Court at Plymouth, March 3rd, 1639-40. "Where as Mr. Thacher, Mr. Crow and Mr. Howes, the committees of Yarmouth, were complained of to have made unequal division of lands there; whereupon the said committee have exhibited a very formal division of said lands unto the Court which is well approved of. And the court doth further order that the said committee shall receive no more inhabitants into the said towne, except they bring certificates from the places whence they came under sufficient men's hands of the said places of their religious and honest character; which certificate shall be first allowed by the Governor and Assistants before such persons shall be admitted there."

In 1639 Antony[2] Thacher became Town Clerk and Town Treasurer of Yarmouth, Mass., and he remained in such capacity until his death in 1667, when he was succeeded by Mr. Edmund Hawes.

1641. General Court at Yarmouth June 17th, 1641. "Settlement of land controversy between Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. Nicholas Sympkins and William Chase."

Quarter Court at Salem, Mass., 1-12mo, 1641. "Peter Thatcher haled before Court for running away from Antony Thacher."

1641-2. Record of Quarter Court of Assistants at Boston, Mass., 1st of 1st month, 1641-2 (See Vol. I., p. 118, on file in N. Y. G and B. Soc. Library). "Peter Thatcher, for plotting piracy, was committed, and to be whipt; Matthew Collaine, Robert Allen and another to be whipped for concealing plot of piracy."

These two preceding records are those upon which I base my surmise that the above mentioned Peter Thacher was Peter[3] Thacher, son of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher, of St. Edmund's, Salisbury,

Eng., and a nephew of Antony[2] Thacher; and that he, the above Peter[3] Thacher, had accompanied his uncle, Antony[2] Thacher, to New England as his apprentice, and whose apprenticeship was at the above date probably expired, as he was probably born in 1616, and was hence about 25 years of age. Peter[3] Thacher had also probably by this time received the money left him by his father in his will, from the hands of Antony[2] Thacher and his maternal step-uncle, Christopher Batt, and he was in all liklihood very unruly and difficult to control.

1642. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1642. "Mr. Anthony Thacher sworn in as a member of the Grand Inquest."

General Court at Plymouth, September 27th, 1642. "Mr. Anthony Thacher appointed by Court one of the Council of War. Anthony Thacher on list of freemen of Yarmouth and one of a list of those liable to bear arms in town of Yarmouth."

1643. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 6th, 1643. "Mr. Anthony Thacher elected deputy to General Court from Yarmouth."

General Court at Plymouth, October 10th, 1643. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth. He was appointed one of the committee to provide a place of defense for the towne of Yarmouth against sudden assault."

1643-4. General Court at Plymouth, March 5th, 1643-4. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth."

1644. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5th, 1644. "Mr. Anthony Thacher elected deputy to General Court from Yarmouth, and appointed by Court Surveyor of Highways for the town of Yarmouth; and also licensed by Court to draw wine in Yarmouth."

General Court of Plymouth, August 20th, 1644. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth, and appointed by the Court one of a committee of three to lay out farm land granted to a Nathaniel Sowther."

1645. General Court at Plymouth, June 4th, 1645. "Mr. Anthony Thacher appointed on committee to prepare laws to overcome certain abuses."

General Court at Plymouth, October 20th, 1645. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth."

1645-6. General Court at Plymouth, March 3rd, 1645-6. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth."

1646. General Court at Plymouth, July 7th, 1646. "Edward Sturgis licensed by Court to keep an ordinary and draw wine in Yarmouth, provided Mr. Thacher draws out his." 'Repealed 20-8, 1646.' 'Mr. Anthony Thacher fined 6d for absense from Court.' "

1646-7. General Court at Plymouth, March 2nd, 1646-7. "Mr. Anthony Thacher being returned at the Court Register Keeper for Yarmouth was approved by ye Court."

1647. General Court at Plymouth, June 1st, 1647. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth, and he was granted £20 by Court for public services."

1648. General Court at Plymouth, June 7th, 1648. "Mr. Anthony Thacher awarded 110 acres upland and 26 acres of meadow land by the Court as his allotment for discovering, purchasing and other charges in the settlement of Yarmouth."

This allotment was a slight modification of the award made to him by the original committee of which he was one; the modification being due to the complaint made by some that his allotment in the original division was excessive. The decision of the Court here recorded seems to have been a virtual upholding of Mr. Thacher's original award, as the modification was but slight.

1651. General Court at Plymouth, June 5, 1651. "Mr. Anthony Thacher, present as deputy from Yarmouth and appointed by Court to try certain Indians on complaint made by Richard Sears."

1652. February 24th. "Mr. Anthony Thacher one of the jurors appointed by Court to lay out a highway from Sandwich to Plymouth."

General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7, 1652. "Mr. Anthony Thacher elected deputy to represent Yarmouth."

General Court, Plymouth, June 29th, 1652. "Mr. Anthony Thacher is allowed and appointed by the Court to administer the ordinance of marriage at Yarmouth as occasion may require."

1653. General Court of Election, Plymouth, June 7th, 1653. "Mr. Thacher one of the Surveyors of the Highway for Yarmouth."

1653-4. General Court at Plymouth, March 7th, 1653-4. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth."

1654. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 6th, 1654. "Mr. Anthony Thacher sworn as a member of the Grand Inquest."

General Court at Plymouth, June 20th, 1654. "Mr. Anthony Thacher one of the Jurors for to lay out the convenientest way from Sandwich unto Plymouth, which Jurors were sworn before Mr. Prence (Governor). February 24th, 1652. Jurors submit plan for said way to the above Court, June 20th, 1654."

General Court at Plymouth, August 1st, 1654. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth. Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. Josias Winslow and Mr. Thomas Kingsley submit to the above court a report of the accounts of the Treasurer (of the Colony) as audited by them."

1656-7. General Court at Plymouth, March 5, 1656-7. "A warrant was directed from the Court unto Mr. Anthony Thacher of Yarmouth, to require him personally to appear at the Court of Assistants to be holden in May next to make answer to a complaint of Janna an Indian Sachem, concerning some land formerly

belonging to him in the liberties of Yarmouth, which was purchased of him by Mr. Thacher and Mr. Howes, and, as he saith, unpaid for."

1657. General Court at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1657. "I, Anthony Thacher doe testify that Captain Standish accepted of one cow of Barnard Lumbard in the summe of five pounds, which cow the said Barnard Lumbard promised to winter, and the Captain promised to allow him for it. This I can testify upon oath, and if I be called upon shall be reddy to doe it.

(sgd) Anthony Thacher."

The signature as given here above is copied from the printed record. His baptismal name it will be here noted is spelled Anthony and not Antony. I have never seen the original manuscript record; but am under the impression that in this original from which the printed copy was taken the name appears as *Antony* and the "h" was introduced by error on account of *Anthony* being the commonly accepted form of spelling. This may be, however, but an unjustified conjecture on my part, if it is so spelled in the original manuscript record, it is the only case of his so spelling his baptismal name that I am aware of.

In the year 1657, Mr. Anthony Thacher's name is on list of those in Yarmouth that had taken the oath of fidelity.

1657-8. General Court at Plymouth, March 2nd, 1657-8. "Mr. Anthony Thacher one of a committee summoned to appear before the Court to transact certain business."

1658. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 1st, 1658. "Mr. Anthony Thacher sworn in as constable of Yarmouth. Mr. Anthony Thacher chosen as one of the Council of War. Mr. Anthony Thacher on a list of freemen of Yarmouth taken about 1658."

General Court at Plymouth, June 5th, 1658. "Mr. Anthony Thacher is required by the Court in settlement of the Indian Sachem Janna's claim to pay 20^{sh} as his share of the matter; this decision to be final. This being the conclusion arrived at by Mr. John Alden and Mr. Josias Winslow appointed by the Court to settle the matter; they having heard the case May 14th 1658 and reported to the above Court."

1658-9. General Court at Plymouth, March 1st, 1658-9. "Mr. Anthony Thacher one of a committee appointed by Court to levy on inhabitants of Yarmouth to raise £40 or £50 a year to support a minister."

1659. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1659. "Mr. Anthony Thacher elected deputy to represent Yarmouth."

General Court of Plymouth, October 6th, 1659. "Mr. Anthony Thacher one of the Coroner's Jury to hold inquest on the death of Mary Chase of Yarmouth."

1660-61. General Court at Plymouth, March 5th, 1660-61. "Mr. Anthony Thacher, Mr. Thomas Howes, appointed a committee by Court to see that no more houses are erected at Yarmouth except by permission of the Court."

1661-62. General Court at Plymouth, March 4th, 1661-62. "The agents for the town of Yarmouth appearing at this Court according to agreement to debate and determine a difference between them and others about whales, were desired by the Court to give their result concerning the matter unto the Court as being that whereunto they could stand, who gave in their answer as followeth:

"The sixt of the first month $\frac{61}{62}$

Right Wor^{sh}. We intreat your worshipes reddily to accept these few lines for a positive answer to which we promise to stand; that the Treasurer shall have two barrels of oyle out of each whale according to his proposition made unto us for the year past, soe as there may be a full end of what troubles hath formerly past about it."

(sgd) Antony Thacher,
Robert Denis,
witness our hands Thomas Boardman,
Richard Taylor."

1662. General Court at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1662. "Mr. Anthony Thacher sworn as member of the Grand Inquest."

General Court at Plymouth, June 10, 1662. "Mr. Anthony Thacher appointed one of the two excise officers of Yarmouth to take invoice of what liquors, powder, shot and lead are brought into the government of Yarmouth, and is ordered to report same to General Court each year."

General Court at Plymouth, October 3rd, 1662. "Mr. Anthony Thacher submits to Court invoice of Liquors brought into town of Yarmouth from June last to September 26th, 1662."

1663. General Court at Plymouth, June 1st, 1663. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth."

1663-4. General Court at Plymouth, March 1st, 1663-4. "Mr. Anthony Thacher and Mr. Robert Denis submit invoice of liquor, powder and shot introduced into Yarmouth since May 1663." "Item:—Mr. Thacher, 3 cases," (whether liquor or powder or shot does not appear).

1665. General Court at Plymouth, June 7th, 1665. "Mr. Anthony Thacher present as deputy from Yarmouth. Court grants Mr. Anthony Thacher an equal share with certain others of certain lands obtained by one William Nicaison at Mannamoisett from natives illegally, without consent of the Court, leaving only 100 acres to said Nicaison."

General Court at Plymouth, June 9th, 1665. "Final award of the Court in awarding land in the Nicaison controversy to Mr. Thacher and others."

General Court at Plymouth, October 3rd, 1665. "Mr. Anthony Thacher is authorized by the Court to make contracts of marriage in the township of Yarmouth, and likewise to admin-

ister an oath to any witness for the tryall of a case as occasion may require within said township, and likewise to administer an oath to give evidence to the grand inquest as there shall be occasion within the said township."

"Mr. Anthony Thacher appointed an excise officer to recommend excise on liquor for the year at Yarmouth."

1665-6. General Court at Plymouth, March 6th, 1665-6. "Thomas Starr, Jonathan Barnes and Abraham Hedge were fined by Court for abusive carriage towards Mr. Anthony Thacher in his own house."

"Mr. Anthony Thacher's name on the list of select men of the town of Yarmouth approved by the Court." This is the first mention of these officers by the Court; they were elected by the townsmen.

1666. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5, 1666. "Mr. Anthony Thacher's name first on the list of select men for Yarmouth approved by the Court." They were elected by the freemen of the town to try cases involving not more than 40 shillings.

1667. Council of War at Plymouth, April 2nd, 1667. "Mr. Anthony Thacher a member of the Council; and he was appointed the one to act for Yarmouth to concert with military officers there situated for the good of the Government."

General Court at Plymouth, June 5, 1667. "Mr. Anthony Thacher as excise officer brings in report to the Court of liquor brought into Yarmouth for the year past." This invoice includes items up to the first week in June, 1667. He must, therefore, have been alive at that time.

In Swift's "Old Yarmouth," between pp. 90-91, is to be found a fac simile of a document drawn up and signed by Antony Thacher dated April 4th, 1667. The original of a valuable document dated June 30th, 1667, and signed by Antony Thacher was at the time of the publication (1872) of D. W. Allen's "Thacher Genealogy" in the possession of H. C. Thacher, Esq., of Boston, Mass.

According to D. W. Allen's "Thacher Genealogy," an inventory of his estate was taken August 22nd, 1667. Freeman's "History of Cape Cod" says that he died August 22nd, 1667. These two statements are consistent, as inventories of deceased individuals' estates were frequently taken immediately after death and before funeral of the deceased. From what we have of record, however, we know that he died between June 30th, 1667, and August 22nd, 1667, as we have a document signed by him June 30th, 1667, and this inventory was taken August 22nd, 1667.

Court of Assistants at Plymouth, October 30th, 1667. "Letters of administration were granted by the Court to John[3] Thacher (his eldest son) to administer on the estate of Mr. Anthony Thacher, deceased."

From the above record we see that he died intestate.

1667-8. Court of Assistants at Plymouth, March 5th, 1667-8. "Letters of administration were granted to Mistress Elizabeth Thacher and unto John[3] Thacher to administer the estate of Mr. Anthony Thacher, deceased."

From which we have recorded evidence that his second wife, Elizabeth (Jones) Thacher, survived him.

In Volume VII. of the Plymouth Colony Records the name of Mr. Anthony Thacher appears in various court proceedings, sometimes as juror and again as party to a suit. None of these records are of any material interest and hence are not quoted.

Antony[2] Thacher was buried on his own land in Yarmouth, not far from the marsh, by a little button pear tree situated near said marsh; which pear tree is said to have been planted by his own hands, and which Alden in his "Epitaphs" states was standing in 1814. Swift in his "Old Yarmouth" states that the tree was standing in 1884. The general location of his resting place is therefore known; but the identical spot is unknown, as his grave is not now, nor, as far as my knowledge extends, has ever been marked by a grave stone. When and where Elizabeth (Jones) Thacher, widow of Antony[2] Thacher, died and was buried is not a matter of record, but it is almost a certainty that she died in Yarmouth subsequent to 1667-8 and was buried there beside her deceased husband. Descendants of Anthony[2] Thatcher are eligible for membership in the Society of Colonial Wars and the Society of Founders and Patriots and in the Order of Americans of Armorial Ancestry.

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Notes Referring to the Record of Antony[2] Thacher

Note 1: Concerning Antony[2] Thacher and his first wife, Mary ——. Attention is here called to the two following wills of Clement and Thomas Thatcher, which wills were copied from the *New England Historic Genealogical Register*, January, 1893, in an article entitled Genealogical Gleanings in England, by Henry F. Waters, pp. 131, 132. The original of these wills are on file in the principal Registry of the Probate, Divorce and Admirality Division of the High Court of Justice, in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, England.

Thomas Thatcher of Beckington, Somerset, 8 January, 1610, proved 13 June, 1611. To certain poor persons in the parish of Beckington, whom I particularly named to my executrix twenty shillings, to be divided to the said poor persons by the discretion of my overseers. For the better relieving of my uncle John Thatcher my executrix shall deliver into the hands of my brother Clement Thatcher a cow which now is in the custody of my brother-in-law Robert Keenell that, by the discretion of my brother Clement, she may be employed to the use of my said uncle during his natural life, and after his decease the said cow to remain to the use of his children. My executrix shall, in like manner, deliver into the hands of my brother Clement, one other cow, color black, for the better relieving of my aunt Elizabeth Thatcher, the use of it to her for life, and then to remain to the use of my said uncle John's children. To William Hillman twenty shillings. To Thomas Griffin ten shillings. To Thomas Bembury ten shillings. To my maidservant Mary Wattes twenty shillings. To Hester Thatcher, my brother William's daughter, one flock bed and one bolster, and one sheep. To Ezra Thatcher, my brother William's son, one sheep. A conditional bequest to John Gallington son of brother-in-law John Gallington.

Item, my will is that if my brother Anthony Thatcher (who is now in the "separation") do join in the profession of true religion with any true church, that then my executrix within one whole year after he shall so have joined himself, either with the reformed Dutch Church, in which country he now liveth, or shall return into England and join with us, shall pay unto my said brother five pounds, which in token of brotherly affection, I give unto him. The rest of my goods I give to Anne my wife whom I make executrix, and make my friend Toby Walkwood and brother Clement Thatcher overseers. (Wood 60.)

Clement Thatcher of Merston Bigot, Somerset, yeoman, 13 January, 1629, proved 4 May, 1639. I give to the Church of Froome and Merston six shillings eight pence, to be equally divided, and to the poor of Froome five shillings and to the poor of Merston five shillings. To my son Clement forty pounds, to be in the custody of Bridget my wife until he comes of the age of one and twenty, she, the said Bridget continuing in my name, and not otherwise, it then to be ordered and disposed by my overseers. I give unto Thomas my son twenty pounds and to Hannah my daughter twenty pounds and to Mary and Joane my daughters twenty pounds apiece. To William Thatcher my kinsman five pounds and to his sisters Alice and Jane forty shillings apiece. To Thomas Thatcher my kinsman Hatton twenty shillings. To all my God children an ewe and a lamb, or six shillings eight pence in money, at the discretion of my executor. To my brother Gallington's children an ewe and a lamb apiece and to my brother William Thatcher's children an ewe and a lamb apiece, and to my brother Anthony, which is beyond sea, forty shillings, and to his two children ten shillings apiece. To Thomas my son my chattel lease of the house in the field and five acres of ground thereunto belonging. Two other chattel leases in Filton and Mr. Cable's land, that which was lately in the tenure of Elizabeth Hipstonn, shall remain to Clement my son, &c. Wife Bridget to be executrix and brother William Thatcher and brother John Gallington overseers. (Harvey, 92.)

Genealogists in the past have labored under the impression that the Anthony Thatcher mentioned in the two wills given above was identical with Antony[2] Thacher whose daughter Edith[3] Thacher was baptized at Queen Camel, February 7th, 1621, and which Antony[2] Thacher was subsequently curate under his brother Rev. Peter[2] Thacher at St. Edmund's, Salisbury, and who subsequently in 1635 emigrated to New England and there died in in 1667 aged

about 80 years. This identity is proven to be incorrect for the following reasons, viz :—

From the Register of the Parish of Frome, Somerset County, England, Vol. I, 1558 to 1703, under the head of baptisms we obtain the following extracts, viz :—

1568, May 15, Anthonius Thatcher was baptized
1571, March 2, Clemens Thatcher was baptized
1574, August 1, William Thatcher was baptized
1575, February 25, Thomas Thatcher was baptized
1577, March 2, Elizabeth Thatcher was baptized

A careful reading of the above wills leads to the opinion that the above children whose baptizms are here recorded are all brothers and sisters, and are the brothers specifically mentioned in these wills; the Elizabeth, baptized March 2nd, 1577, being undoubtedly the Elizabeth Hipstonn mentioned in the will of Clement Thatcher.

In the licenses to pass beyond the sea (in times of Queen Elizabeth to Charles 1) in the Public Record Office in Fetter Lane, London, is to be found the following entry, viz :—

"*Primo die Octobris*, 1631 Anthony Thatcher of age 65 years and dwelling in Leyden, *et uxor* Clarey Thatcher 38."

Notice the age of this Anthony Thatcher, 65 years old in 1631; hence he was born in 1566 according to this entry. It is most probable that this entry was not absolutely correct as to his age, but merely approximate. Anthony Thatcher of Frome was baptized May 15, 1568 and on October 1st, 1631, would have been at least 63 years, 4 months and 16 days old, on the supposition that he was born a few days before baptizm. In those days it was customary to baptize very shortly after birth, but exceptions frequently occurred to this rule and Anthony Thatcher of Frome may have been a year and a half old at baptism, May 15, 1568 which would make him 65 years old, October 1st, 1631. It is also possible that the original entry of the license may have read aged 63, as the 3 and 5 is often confused in transcription. Whichever of these two hypotheses is correct it is undoubtedly true that Anthony Thacher baptized May 1st 1568, at Frome and the Anthony Thatcher mentioned in the two preceding wills, and subsequently granted a license to pass beyond the sea in 1631, are one and the same person and that in 1631 he had a wife named Claree.

This Anthony Thatcher of Frome, and later of Leyden, died previous to April 9th, 1656, as is seen by the following abstract of his widow's will taken from Vol. 47, pp. 421, 422 of the *New England Historic-Genealogical Register* which is as follows :—

Claree Thatcher of Woolsack aller, in Hounsditch St. Buttolph's without Aldgate, London, widow, makes her will April 9th, 1656, which will was proved April 19th, 1656, and mentions as follows :"

"To my loving sister Mary Langham, wife of Richard Langham twenty gilders sterling money. To my loving friend and brother in the faith Anthony Trayford, five pounds of lawful money of England. To my nurse Margery Beale forty shillings. To Eleanor Shilcock twenty shillings. To my daughter Sarah Hancocke, wife of Robert Hancocke of Amsterdam, silk dyer, the sum of five shilling and no more. All of which legacies my desire is shall be paid unto the several and respective legatees aforesaid within six (6) months next after the death or departure of this mortal life of me the said Claree Thatcher, I give, will and bequeath unto Mary Moody, daughter of James Moody of Stepney, mariner, a debt of forty shillings, due unto me from her said father. All the rest and residue of my goods, etc. to my loving son Humble Thatcher whom I ordain and make sole executor, etc. Witness, Ralph Grafton, William Cock, John Butler, Scr."

From all of the above we see that the Anthony Thatcher mentioned in the wills of Clement and Thomas Thatcher given above, and Anthony Thatcher baptized at Frome, May 15, 1568, and subsequently of Leyden were one and the same person; and that this Anthony Thatcher in 1631 had a wife Claree; that

Anthony Thatcher died before April 9th, 1656, and was survived by his widow Claree who on that date was living in London, England.

Mr. H. F. Waters from whose *Genealogical Gleanings in England* we obtained the above wills of Thomas, Clement and Claree Thatcher, says in a note thereunder :—

"I would suggest that the testatrix of the above will (Claree Thatcher) was the widow of Anthony Thatcher referred to by his brother Thomas as in the separation" (see above will of Thomas Thatcher). The rather odd name of Clarey (Claree); the bequest of "twenty gilders ;" the reference to a friend as a brother in the faith," and to a "son-in-law of Amsterdam" all seem to show this."

Antony[2] Thacher (brother of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of St. Edmunds') was born in 1588-9, as we have shown in his individual record. In 1631 he was married to one Mary ——, who died at Salisbury and was buried there July 20th, 1634 and he married a 2nd time to Elizabeth Jones sometime in February, 1635, and he died in Yarmouth, Mass., in 1667 aged about 80 years. Hence we see conclusively that he could not have been identical with the Anthony Thatcher mentioned in the wills of Thomas and Clement Thatcher here above given.

From English Records we obtain the following viz : (See London Marriage Licenses ; also see Waters's *Gen. Gleanings in England*) "March 18, 1618–19. Ralphe Brace of St. Bride's, merchant tailor, allegeth that Anthony Thatcher of St. Catherine's near the tower, shoemaker, a bachelor, aged about 23, and a freeman, at his own government, intends marriage with Mary Clarke of St. Saviors, Southwark, maiden, about 21, daughter of —— Clarke, husbandman, deceased long since; she now a servant with Mrs. Roberts widow. Then appeared Henry Flint of St. Giles, Cripplegate, tailor, and testifieth, etc., etc., at St. Bennet's, Pauls Wharf;" which is a marriage allegation or notice of intention. And again from Marriage Licenses, London, England, we have: Anthony Thatcher of St. Catherine's by the Tower, London, shoemaker and Mary Clarke of St. Saviour, Southwark, Co., Surrey, Spinster, daughter of —— Clarke deceased, to marry at St. Bennet, Paul's Wharf, London, 18 March, 16, 18–19." And again from the Stepney Parish Register we have the following, viz:—

"1621, April. Richard sonne of Anthony Thacher of St. Dunstan's in the West, London, yeoman. and Mary His wife, borne in the house of William Ffishburn of Ratcliffe highway, victualler, baptized the thirteenth (13th) day, being at that tyme fower dayes old." (See Vol. 2 of Baptizms.)

And again from the Register of St. Paul's Convent Garden, London, England published by the Harleian Society, we have the following, viz:— (See Vol. II, p. 164.)

"October 30th, 1797. Anthony, son of Richard and Ann Thatcher was baptized.

(Signed) Richard Ballock, *Rector.*
Thumas Bourdillon } Witnesses."
J. Lloyd }

As a result of the discovery of the above quoted marriage allegation and licence granted to Anthony Thatcher and Mary Clarke, it has been suggested by many that this Anthony Thatcher was identical with Antony[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's and subsequently of Yarmouth, Mass. This suggestion on the face of it seems plausible on account of the christian name of the wife Mary Clarke, *i. e.* Mary which was the christian name of the first wife of Antony[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's and Yarmouth; the likelihood of the two being identical is rendered possible by the date of the license 1618–19 which in no way conflicts with the possible date of marriage of Antony[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's and Yarmouth and the known date of birth of his daughter Edith who was baptized at Queen Camel, Feb. 7th, 1621-2; and still further the record of baptism of Richard Thatcher son of the above Anthony Thatcher and Mary —— (Clarke?) April 13th, 1621 (born April 9th, 1621), is not inconsistent with such identity, as this child was baptized some ten (10) months previous to Edith[3] as April 13th, 1621, old style was in the year 1621, and Feb. 7th, 1621, was 1621 old style and 1622 new style; and hence so far as dates of baptism are concerned they could both possibly be the children of Antony[2] Thacher of Queen Camel, St.

Edmund's and Yarmouth; nor would the difference of places of baptism of the children and the comparative remoteness of one place from the other render the identity of these two Antony[2] and Anthony impossible, as the time elapsed between the two baptisms might easily account for a change of residence. This seems to be the whole argument in favor of such identity. On the other side of the argument, in the marriage allegation of Anthony Thatcher of St. Catherine's near the Tower, London, it is stated that in 1618–19 he was about 22 years old, and this would place the date of his birth about 1595–6; from what we have argued before under the head of his individual record, Antony[2] Thacher of St. Edmund's and Yarmouth, Mass., died in 1667 aged about 80 years, and was therefore born as I conclude about 1588–9. Hence as the one was born in 1595–6, and the other in 1588–9, a difference of 7 years, they cannot be one and the same person, notwithstanding the fact that they each had a wife named Mary, and the births of the children of each as far as we have knowledge thereof in no way conflicts with the possibility of identity.

My conclusion from a close analysis of the above citations is that Anthony Thatcher of the marriage allegation and license was not the son of Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel, but the son of some other as yet undetermined Thatcher, and that the occurrence of the Christian name Anthony suggests a possible relationship between his father and Rev. Peter[1] Thacher of Queen Camel.

The Anthony Thatcher who was baptised at St. Paul's, Convent Garden, London, Oct. 30th, 1797, it would appear from the repetition of the names Richard and Anthony, to be a descendant of Anthony Thatcher, who married Mary Clarke, who had a son Richard Thatcher baptised April 13th, 1621. The names Richard and Anthony having been probably maintained during the intermediate missing generations.

These remarks are given to show my reasons for doubting that either of the two above discussed Anthony Thatchers could be identical with Antony[2] Thacher of Queen Camel, St. Edmund's and Yarmouth, Mass.

NOTE 2. Sailing list of ship *James*, taken from *New England Historic-Genealogical Register*, Vol. XIV, pp. 332, 333, with notes thereon by S. J. D.:

"SOUTHON.—A list of names of suche Passeng[rs] as shipt themselves at the towne of Hampton, in the *James* of London of iij[c] tonnes William Coop[r] Mr. v[rs] New England, in and about the v[t] of Aprill, 1635.

Augustine Clem[t], sometime of Readinge (in Berkshire), Paynter.
Thomas Whealer, his servant
Thomas Browne, of Malford (perhaps Milford in Hants), weav[r]
Hercules Woodman, of the same, mercer
John Euered, alias Webb (settled in Chelmsford, Mass., and died 1665) } of Marlborough in Wiltshire laborers or husbandmen
Stephen Euered, alias Webb
Gyles Butler
George Coussens
Thomas Colman
Thomas Goddard
John Pithouse
Anthony Morse } of Marlborough shoomakers
William Morse
John Hide, Tayler } late of Marlborough
John Parker, Carpenter
Richard Walker, shomaker
Maudit Ingles, ffuller (a name that has been subjected to much torture, plain Maudit Ingles in this [original] record. On our Boston record, April 2, 1638, Maudit Ings appears. No doubt the same. See *Hist. and Antiquities of Boston*, p. 241 and elsewhere)
Thomas Davyes, Sawyer
Thomas Carpenter, of Amesbury (in Wilts), Carpenter
William Paddey, skinn[r] } late of London
Edmund Hawes, cutler

Edmund Batter, maulter
John Smale, his servant
Michael Shafflin, Tayler
Josuah Verren, Rep[r]
Thomas Antram, weav[r]
Thomas Browne, his servant
George Smythe, Tayler
Phillip Varrem, Roop[r]
John Greene, surgeon
} Late of New England

Zacheus Courtis, of Downton, laborer (several places bear this name, but this was probably in Wilts)
Henry Rose, of Platford, laborer (or Plaitford, in Wilts)
Nicholas Batt, of ye Devyes, lennen weav[r]
Thomas Scoates, of Sarñ (Sarum, Salisbury in Wilts), laborer
John Pike } of Langford
John Musselwhite } laborers (Some 12 places bear this name in different counties. Langford Steeple is in Wilts)
Sampson Salter, of Caversham, fisherman (probably the same place called Goñsham in another list. In Oxfordshire)
Henry Kinge, of Brencsley, laborer
William Andrews of Hampsworth, carpenter
John Knight } of Romsey,
Richard Knight } Taylers
Thomas Smithe of the same, weaver
Nicholas Holte, thereof, tanner
Robert ffield, of yealing, laborer
Anthony Thetcher of Sarm, tayler and
Peter Higdon his servant
James Browne } youths of Hampton of about 17 years old
Lawrence Seag[r]
Henry Leūage } of Sarn
William Parsons } Taylers
John Emery } of Romsey, Carpenters
Anthony Emery
William Kemp, servant

The totall number of these men, youthes, and boyes are liij p'sons, besides the wives and Children of Dyvers of these.

(sgd) Tho: Wurfris, Coll[r] ibm.
(sgd) N. Dingley, Comptr
(sgd) John Knapp, Searcher"

On a separate sheet accompanying the above:

"Right ho[rble]

After the p'formance of our most humble Duties, may it please y[r] Lo[ps] to receaue hereinclosed a list of the names of suche passeng[rs] as tooke shippinge at this porte for New England, and that onely in Aprill last in the good ship Called the *James* of London whereof William Coop[r] went Mr. And thus in Due obedience and observance of yo[r] hon[rs] lre Dated the last of Decemb[r] past. Thus wee humbly take leave. Southampton the xij[th] Day of June, 1635.

Yo[r] Lo[ps] most humble serv[ts]
(sgd) Tho: Wurfris Coll[r]
(sgd) N. Dingler, Compt[r]
(sgd) John Knapp, searcher"

(Direction.) "To the right ho[rble] the lords of his ma[ts] most honorable privie Counsell, this at Whitehall. London."

NOTE 3. Concerning Elizabeth Jones, 2nd wife of Antony[2] Thacher. From Pope's *Pioneers of Massachusetts*, p. 262, we obtain the following extract viz:—

"Richard Jones of Dinder, England, embarked from Weymouth, England before March 20th, 1635. He settled in Dorchester, Mass., bought house and land there 1635. Richard Jones of Salisbury, witness in Essex Court in 1648 may be the same." (Note: Pope is wrong in this suggestion, as, if Alice was

his widow in 1642, he could not have heen a witness in 1648.—J. R. T.) "Alice Jones, aged 26, who came on the *James* in July, 1635, was doubtless his wife. He died intestate, leaving children Timothy, Samuel, Elizaheth and Mary. The widow Alice Jones conveyed estate, 2-12, 1642, to Anthony Thatcher of Yarmouth, Richard Baker, Thomas Millett and George Weekes of Dorchester, for her son Timothy. She refers in the inventory of her estate to her hrother Thatcher and her man John March." (Suffolk deeds, Vol. I, p. 41). From Suffolk Co., Mass., Deeds Vol. I, p. 41, we ohtain the following (4) 1634.

"Alice Jones, late wife of Richard Jones, deceased intestate, granted unto her children her home and land and goods in manner as followeth:

One third part of the house and land she reserved to herselfe for six (6) years; and the other two thirds she reserved for her three (3) children Samuel, Elizabeth and Mary for the said term, out of which she is to be allowed for their dyet and apparel the 1st year £ 7 and the other five (5) years so much as the ffeofes shall judge fit, whilst she keepeth them. And after the six (6) years expired, the house and lands to remain to Timothy her son and to his heirs forever, he paying to the other three (3) children £ 22 as followeth vizt. To Elizaheth or her assigns £ 7 in corn, cattle or money within two (2) years next after the six (6) years expired, unto which Alice Jones promeseth to add 20 sh; and two (2) years after that Timothy shall pay unto Mary £ 7 in manner aforesaid, whereto Alice Jones promeseth to add 20sh; and two (2) years after that Timothy shall pay to Samuel, his hrother £ 8.

And of her moveable goods (after her debts are paid and certain goods taken out for her son Timothy as in the inventory it is mentioned.) She giveth two thirds for the use of Elizaheth, Mary and Samuel to he divided equally amongst them hefore the last of the third month next and to be kept in the hands of the ffeofes (Antony Thacher of Yarmouth, Richard Baker, Thomas Millett and George Weekes of Dorchester) until they be of years."

And in case Timothy die without heirs, the house and lands to descend to Samuel; and for want of issue hy him, to descend to the two daughters, or such of them as shall be living; and so if any of the three (3) children Elizaheth, Mary or Samuel die hefore they be of age to receive their portions, it shall remain to the rest then living.

In witness whereof Alice Jones set to her hand and seal the 2nd day of the 12th month 1642; and delivered one pewter dish to Elizaheth in part of the two thirds of said goods. In presence of Jeoffrey Turner and Elizaheth Crane. This was acknowledged hefore the Court as the deed of Alice Jones with the consent of her hushand and —— the 8th of the 4th ——."

Note upon ahove extracts hy S. P. May.

"The deed of gift of Alice Jones is a very singular one and it is explained hy the fact that she had then at the date of the deed 9-4, 1643 or shortly thereafter married John Kinsley. This accounts for the closing words of the deed; 'with the consent of her hushand.' She had then married John Kinsley hetween 2-12, 1642 and 9-4, 1643, the former the date of the deed and the latter the date of its recording.

Alice Jones, widow, lived in Dorchester, Mass. The question naturally arises why did she (or her hushand) go so far as Yarmouth for a ffeoffee (or trustee). Douhtless Antony Thacher was their hrother-in-law, his 2nd wife Elizabeth Jones being a sister of Richard Jones (unless perhaps she was the widow of a brother of Richard Jones). The first theory is probably the correct one.

That Richard Jones was a brother of Elizabeth Jones is proved hy the will of his son Samuel Jones, dated May 28th, 1661 in which he makes hequests to his six (6) cousins in Yarmouth.

Here arises an interesting point. Either Antony Thacher had in 1661 six (6) children (I find only three (3) named) or else there are three cousins to he accounted for. Bearing in mind then that Richard Sears in his will calls Antony Thacher 'brother' and that Antony Thacher's son John calls Richard Sears 'uncle,' it is horne in upon me that Richard Sears had married a sister of Elizabeth Jones and of Richard Jones, and that Richard Sears three (3) children Paul, Silas and Dehorah were the three (3) other cousins.

I have long thought that John Thacher would not have called Richard Sears 'Uncle' unless the connection was on his own father or mother's side and not by the way of Antony Thacher's first wife."

The above are Samuel P. May's views upon the family relationship of Elizabeth Jones, 2nd wife of Antony[2] Thacher. Mr. May is a genealogist of known repute and his argument in the matter seems to carry conviction with it, and I am convinced that his reasoning is correct.

NOTE 4. Antony[2] Thacher's letter to his brother Rev. Peter[2] Thacher concerning the shipwreck August 15th, 1635, taken from D. W. Allen's *Thacher Genealogy:*

"I must turn my drowned pen and shaking hand to indite the story of such sad news as never before this happened in New England. There was a league of perpetual friendship between my cousin Avery and myself, never to forsake each other to the death, but to be partakers of each other's misery or welfare as also of habitation in the same place. Now upon our arrival at New England, there was an offer made unto us. My cousin Avery was invited to Marblehead to be their pastor in due time; there being no church planted there as yet, but a town appointed to set up the trade of fishing. Because many there (the most being fishermen) were something loose and remiss in their behavior, my cousin Avery was unwilling to go thither, and so refusing, we went to Newbury, intending there to sit down. But being solicited so often, both by men of the place and by the magistrates, and by Mr. Cotten, and most of the ministers, who alleged what a benefit we might be to the people there, and also to the country and commonwealth, at length, we embraced it, and thither consented to go. They of Marblehead forthwith sent a pinnace for us and our goods. We embarked at Ipswich, August 11, 1635, with our families and substance, bound for Marblehead, we *being in all twenty-three souls*, viz: *eleven in my cousin's family, seven in mine*, and one Mr. William Elliot sometime of New Sarum, and four mariners. The next morning, having commended ourselves to God with cheerful hearts, we hoisted sail; but the Lord suddenly turned our cheerfulness into mourning and lamentations, for, on the fourteenth of August, 1635, about ten at night, having a fresh gale of wind, our sails being old and done, were split; the mariners, because it was night, would not put to her new sails, but resolved to cast anchor till the morning. But before daylight it pleased the Lord to send so mighty a storm as the like was never known in New England since the English came, nor in the memory of any of the Indians. It was so furious that our anchor came home, whereupon the mariners let out more cable, which slipped away. Then our sailors knew not what to do; but we were driven before the winds and waves. *My cousin* and *I* perceived our danger, and solemnly recommended ourselves to God, the Lord both of earth and seas, expecting with every wave to be swallowed up and drenched in the deep; and as *my cousin, his wife*, and *my tender babes* sat comforting and cheering one to the other in the Lord against ghastly death, which every moment stared us in the face, and sat triumphing upon each one's forehead; we were, by the violence of the waves and the fury of the winds (by the Lord's permission), lifted up upon a rock, between two high rocks, yet all was one rock; but it raged with the stroke which came into the pinnace, so as we were presently up to our middles in water as we sat. The waves came furiously and violently over us and against us, but by reason of the rock's position could not lift us off, but beat her all to pieces.

Now look with me on our distress and consider of my misery who beheld the ship broken and the water in her, and violently overwhelming us; my goods and provisions swimming in the seas, my friends almost drowned, and mine own poor children so untimely (if I may so term it without offence), before mine eyes, drowned and ready to be swallowed up and dashed to pieces against the rocks by the merciless waves, and myself ready to accompany them. But I must go on to an end of this woeful relation. In the same room whereat he sat, the master of the pinnace not knowing what to do, our foremast was cut down, our main mast broken in three pieces, the fore part of the pinnace beat away, our goods swimming about the seas, my children bewailing me as not pitying themselves, and myself bemoaning them, poor souls, whom I had occasioned to such an end in their tender years, when as

they could scarce be sensible of death. And so likewise *my cousin*, *his wife* and *his children*, and both of us bewailing each other, in our Lord and only Saviour ,Jesus Christ, in whom we had comfort and cheerfulness, in so much that from the greatest to the least of us, there was not one screech or outcry made, but all as silent sheep, were contentedly resolved to die together lovingly, as since our acquaintance we had lived together friendly. Now as I was sitting in the cabin room door with my body in the room, when lo, one of the sailors by a wave, being washed out of the pinnace, was gotten in again, and coming into the cabin room over my back, cried out, 'We are all cast away, the Lord have mercy upon us. I have been washed overboard into the sea and gotten in again.' His speech made me look forth and looking towards the sea, and seeing how we were, I turned myself to *my cousin* and the rest, and spake these words 'Oh, cousin, it hath pleased God to cast us here between two rocks, the shore not far off from us, for I saw the tops of trees when I looked forth.' Whereupon the master of the pinnace, looking up to the scuttlehole of the quarter deck, went out at it, but I never saw him afterward. Then he that had been in the sea went out again by me and leaped overboard towards the rocks, whom afterwards also I could not see. Now none were left in the barque that I knew or saw, but *my cousin, his wife and children, myself* and *mine* and *his maid servant.* But my cousin thought I would have fled from him, and said unto me, 'Oh, cousin, leave me not, let us die together,' and reached forth his hand unto me. Then *I*, letting go my son *Peter's* hand, took him by the hand and said, 'Cousin, I purpose it not; whither shall I go? I am willing and ready here to die with you and my poor children. God be merciful to us and receive us to himself,' adding these words, 'the Lord is able and willing to help and deliver us.' He replied, saying, 'True, cousin, but what His pleasure is, we know not; I fear that we have been too unthankful for former deliverances, but He hath promised to deliver us from sin and condemnation and bring us safe to heaven, through the all-sufficient satisfaction of Jesus Christ; this therefore we may challenge of Him.' To which I, replying, said 'that is all the deliverance I now desire and expect', which words I no sooner said, but by a mighty wave *I* was with a piece of the barque, washed out upon part of the rock where the wave left me, almost drowned; but recovering my feet, I saw above me on the rock, *my daughter Mary*, to whom I had no sooner gotten but my *cousin Avery and his eldest son* came to us, being *all four of us* washed out by one and the same wave. We went all to a small hole on the top of the rock, whence we called to those in the pinnace to come unto us, supposing we had been in more safety then, than they were in. *My wife* seeing us there crept up into the scuttle of the quarter deck to come unto us; but presently came another wave, and dashing the pinnace all to pieces, carried *my wife* away in the scuttle as she was, with the greatest part of the quarter-deck unto the shore, where she was cast safely but her legs was something bruised, and much timber of the vessel being there also cast, she was sometime before she could get away, being washed by the waves. All the rest that were in the barque were drowned in the merciless seas. *We four* by that wave were clean swept away from off the rock also, into the sea, the Lord in one instant of time disposing of fifteen souls of us according to his good pleasure and will. His pleasure and wonderful great mercy to me was thus: Standing on the rock as before you heard, with my *eldest daughter*, *my cousin and his eldest son*, looking upon and talking to them in the barque, when as we were by that merciless wave washed off the rock, as before you heard, God in his mercy caused me to fall by the stroke of the wave, flat on my face, for my face was towards the sea, in so much that I was sliding off the rock into the sea, the Lord directed my toes into a joint of the rock's sides, as also the tops of some of my fingers, with my right hand, by means whereof, the wave leaving me I remained so, having in the rock only my head above the water, when on the left hand I espied a board of plank of the pinnace. And as I was reaching out my left hand to lay hold on it, by another coming over the top of the rock, I was washed away from the rock, and by the violence of the waves was driven hither and thither in the seas a great while, and had many dashes against the rocks. At length, past hopes of life, and wearied in body and in spirit, I even gave over to nature, and being ready to receive in the waters of death, I lifted up both my heart and hand to the God of heaven (for note), I had my senses remaining perfect with me all the time

that I was under and in the water, who at that instant lifted my head above the top of the water that so I might breathe without any hindrance by the waters. I stood bolt upright as if I had stood upon my feet, but I felt no bottom, nor had any footing for to stand upon, but the waters. While I was thus above the water, I saw by me a piece of the mast, as I suppose, about three feet long, which I labored to catch into my arms. But suddenly I was overwhelmed with water and driven to and fro again, and at last I felt the ground with my right foot, when immediately, whilst I was thus groveling on my face, I presently recovering my feet was in the water up to my breast, and through God's great mercy, had my face unto the shore, and not to the sea. I made haste to get out but was thrown down on my hands with the waves, and so with safety crept to the dry shore, where, blessing God, I turned about to look for my children and friends, but saw neither nor any part of the pinnace where I left them as I supposed. But *I saw my wife* about a butt length from me getting herself forth from amongst the timber of the broken barque. But before I could get to her she was gotten to the shore. I was in the water after I was washed from the rock before I came to the shore, a quarter of an hour at least. When *we* were come each to the other *we* went and sat down on the bank. But fear of the seas' rolling and our coldness, would not suffer us there to remain. But *we* went up into the land and sat us down under a cedar tree, which the wind had thrown down, where we sat about an hour almost dead with cold. But now the storm was broken up, and the wind was calm, but the sea remained rough and fearful to us. My legs were much bruised, and so my head was; other hurt I had none, neither had I taken in much quantity of water, but my heart would not let me sit still any longer, but I would go to see if any more were gotten to the land in safety, especially hoping to have met with some of my own poor children; but I could find none, neither dead nor yet living. You condole with me my miseries who now begin to consider of my losses. Now came to my remembrance the time and manner how and when I last saw and left my children and friends. One was severed from me sitting on the rock at my feet, the other three in the pinnace. My little babe (ah, *poor Peter*,) sitting in his sister *Edith's* arms; who to the utmost of her power sheltered him from the waters. My poor *William* standing close unto them, all three of them looking ruefully on me, on the rock, their very countenances calling unto me to help them, whom I could not go unto, neither could they come at me, neither would the merciless waves afford me space of time to use any means at all, either to help them or myself. Oh, I yet see their checks, poor silent lambs, plead pity and help at my hands. Then on the other side to consider the loss of my dear friends, with the spoiling and loss of all our goods and provisions; myself cast upon an unknown land in a wilderness, I knew not where nor how to get thence. Then it came to my mind how I had occasioned the death of my children; who caused them to leave their native land, who might have left them there, yea, and might have sent some back again and cost me nothing; these and such like thoughts do press down my heavy heart very much. But I must let this pass, and will proceed on in the relation of God's goodness unto me in that desolate island on which I was cast. *I* and *my wife* were almost naked both of us, and wet and cold even unto death. I found a snapsack cast on the shore in which I had a steel and flint and powder horn. Going further I found a drowned goat; then I found a hat and my son *William's* coat, both of which I put on. *My wife* found one of her petticoats, which she put on. I found also two cheeses and some butter driven ashore. Thus the Lord sent us some clothes to put on, and food to sustain our new lives, which we had lately given unto us, and means also to make fire for in an hour I had some gun powder, which to mine own (and since to other men's) admiration was dry. So taking a piece of my wife's neckcloth, which I dried in the sun, I struck a fire, and so dried and warmed our wet bodies, and then skinned the goat, and having found a small brass pot, we boiled some of her. Our drink was brackish water. Bread, we had none. There we remained until Monday following, when about three of the clock in the afternoon, in a boat that came that way, we went off that desolate island, which I named after my name, 'Thacher's Woe,' and the rock 'Avery, his fall,' to the end that their fall and loss and mine own, might be had in perpetual remembrance. *In the isle lieth buried the body of my cousin's eldest daughter*, whom I found dead on the shore. On the Tuesday following, in the afternoon, we arrived at Marblehead."

THIRD GENERATION.

34. Honorable Colonel John[3] Thacher (Antony[2], Rev. Peter[1],); born at Marblehead (then Salem) Massachusetts Bay Colony, March 17th, 1638-9; resided at Marblehead, Mass., and Yarmouth, Mass.; he was a statesman and soldier; he died at Yarmouth, Mass., May 8th, 1713, "on Friday about noon, and was buried Monday 3 P. M."; he was buried at Yarmouth, Mass., with military honors in the old cemetery there, where a gravestone marks his resting place. He was first married at Marshfield, Mass., (then in Plymouth Colony) November 6th, 1661, to Rebecca Winslow of Marshfield, Mass. She was born at Marshfield, Mass., July 15th, 1643; she died at Yarmouth, Mass., July 15th, 1683; and was buried presumably at Yarmouth, Mass., though no gravestone does, or ever has, marked her grave; she was a daughter of Josiah Winslow (brother of Gov. Edw. Winslow) who died and was buried December 1st, 1674, in his 69th year, and of his wife Margaret (Bourne) Winslow, who was buried at Marshfield, Mass., October 2nd, 1683, both of her parents residing in Marshfield, Mass. Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher married a second time at Yarmouth, Mass. (there recorded), January 1st, 1683-4, to Lydia Gorham of Barnstable, Mass.; she was born at Barnstable, Mass., November 6th, 1661; died at Yarmouth, Mass., August 2nd, 1744, and was buried at Yarmouth, Mass., in the old cemetery where a gravestone marks her resting place. She was a daughter of Col. John Gorham and his wife Desire (Howland) Gorman, who resided at Barnstable, Mass.

Children 21 (Thacher), all born in Yarmouth, Mass.

Children by first marriage 9, 3 sons and 5 daughters and 1 sex not given.

+37 i. Peter,[4] born May 20th, 1665; died February 12th, 1735-6; married Thankful Sturgis.

+38 ii. Josiah,[4] born April 26th, 1667; died May 12th, 1702; married Mary Hedge.

+39 iii. Rebecca,[4] born June 1st, 1669; died April 10th, 1734; married, first, James Sturgis; married, second, Ebenezer Lewis.

+40 iv. Bethia,[4] born July 10th, 1671; died July 7th (or 8th), 1734; married James Paine.

+41 v. John,[4] born January 28th, 1674-5; died March 7th, (17th or 26th), 1764; married Desire (Sturgis) Dimmock.

+42 vi. Elizabeth,[4] born June 19th, 1677; died May 18th, 1710; married Moses Hatch.

43 vii. Hannah 1st,[4] born August 19th, 1679; died July 11th, 1689, in girlhood, not married; buried probably in Yarmouth, Mass.; no gravestone.

44 viii. Mary 1st,[4] born August 3rd, 1682; died September 7th, 1682, in infancy; buried probably in Yarmouth, Mass.; no gravestone.

45 ix. Child, sex not stated,[4] born ——; died ——; and was probably buried in Yarmouth, Mass. We have no record of the sex of this child, nor any reference to it whatever except in the verses written by John[3] Thacher on the death of his wife and unto her memory, in which he specifically states that his first wife bore him 9 children.

Children by second marriage 12; 4 sons and 8 daughters.

+46 x. Lydia,[4] born February 11th, 1684-5; died September 3rd, 1724; married Joseph Freeman.

+47 xi. Mary 2nd,[4] born February 5th, 1686-7; died June 28th, 1778; married Shubael Gorham.

+48 xii. Desire,[4] born December 24th, 1688; died May 6th, 1723; married Josiah Crocker.

+49 xiii. Hannah 2nd,[4] born October 9th, 1690; died May 6th, 1780; married Nathaniel Otis.

50 xiv. Mercy 1st,[4] born July 23rd, 1692; died August 27th, 1692, in infancy, and was buried probably in Yarmouth; no stone marks her grave.

+51 xv. Judah,[4] born August 20th, 1693; died January 8th, 1775; married Sarah Crosby.

52 xvi. Mercy 2nd,[4] born December 28th, 1695; died August 22nd, 1696, in infancy, and was buried probably in Yarmouth; no stone marks her grave.

+53 xvii. Ann,[4] born May 7th, 1697; died March 13th, 1756; married John Lothrop.

+54 xviii. Joseph,[4] born July 11th, 1699; died June 17th, 1763; married Ruth Hawes.

+55 xix. Benjamin,[4] born June 25th, 1701-2; died ——, 1768; married Hannah Lumbert.

+56 xx. Mercy 3rd,[4] born February 7th, 1702-3; died——; married James Harris.

+57 xxi. Thomas,[4] born April 2nd, 1705; died December 20th, 1746; married Thankful Baxter.

Making twenty-one (21) children in all; sixteen of whom married and left issue.

Honorable Col. John[3] Thacher was born in Marblehead (then Salem), Mass., and removed with his parents to Yarmouth early in the 1640's. Of his history prior to marriage we have no definite knowledge, but assume that his boyhood and youth were spent in Yarmouth, receiving such school advantages as were obtainable there in those early days. We have no record of his having attended college. In 1661 he was married to Rebecca Winslow, daughter of Josiah Winslow of Marshfield, Mass., by his wife Margaret (Bourne) Winslow. It is assumed that the marriage took place

in Marshfield, although no record thereof is to be found there nor in Yarmouth; the poem dedicated to his first wife's memory suggests that Marshfield was the place of marriage.

Josiah Winslow, his father-in-law, was the youngest brother of Governor Edward Winslow. He was born in Droitwich, England, February 11th, 1606, and was baptized February 16th, 1606; came over to New England with his brother Kenelm, arriving here in 1631 (as stated both by Bradford's and by Winthrop's contemporaneous histories) with Allerton on the "White Angel" landing at Saco, June 27th, 1631. He lived some time in Scituate and then removed and settled in Marshfield. He married Margaret Bourne, perhaps the daughter of the second Thomas Bourne, and had amongst other children, Rebecca Winslow, born at Marshfield, July 16th, 1642, or July 15th, 1643, the latter date being probably the correct one as it is taken from the Vital Records of Marshfield. Josiah Winslow was a Representative to the General Court of Plymouth in 1643, '45 and '47 and several years thereafter, certainly in 1659 and '60. He was town clerk of Marshfield from 1646 until his death, December 1st, 1674. Margaret (Bourne) Winslow, his widow, died in 1683.

The date of marriage of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher to Rebecca Winslow is variously given. Allen in his "Thacher Genealogy," pp. 33, and Savage in Vol. IV., p. 602, of his "Genealogical Dictionary," both say that the marriage took place November 6th, 1661. The N. E. H. G. Reg., Vol. XIV., p. 11; and Freeman's "History of Cape Cod," Vol. 1, p. 622, and Davis' "Landmarks of Plymouth," pp. 258-9, all say November 6th, 1664. The poem written by John[3] Thacher on the death of his first wife, however, specifically fixes the date as 1661; and when I note that the first of their known and named children was born on May 20th, 1665, I am inclined to think that the 9th child recorded above was in reality their first born, who was born between 1661 and 1665 and probably died in infancy or at birth.

In 1668 Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher was chosen a deputy to the General Court at Plymouth and served in that capacity annually to the year 1681, except in the years 1672, '75 and '77. In 1668 he was elected a selectman of Yarmouth and remained such for many years. In 1681 he was appointed one of the Council of War for Plymouth Colony in which capacity he served a number of years. From 1682 to 1692 he was an Assistant to the Governor of Plymouth Colony. Immediately upon the union of Plymouth Colony with the Province of Massachusetts Bay under the Charter of William and Mary in 1692 he was elected a representative and subsequently an Assistant or Councillor to the Provincial Council and served as such until 1707. He joined the militia of that period at an early age and in time attained the rank of Colonel therein, and upon his death, May 8th, 1713, he was buried with military honors. His first wife, Rebecca, died July 15th, 1683, from ailments, induced by the birth and subsequent death of her last child,

Mary 1st[4] Thacher; she was probably buried in Yarmouth, Mass., although no stone marks her grave. Hon. Col. Thacher was much attached to his first wife and deeply grieved over her loss; and during the period between her death and his second marriage he composed verses in her enthusiastic praise, dated August 30th, 1683. (A copy of extracts from these verses will be found in Note 1, following the completion of the record of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher, the extracts being there inserted not on acount of their intrinsic merit, but as an example of the custom then largely in vogue of extolling the virtues of departed dear ones in verse; and moreover principally on account of the genealogical facts related in said verses, which facts are not specifically recorded elsewhere.) It would seem hardly possible that after such an ardent outpouring of his love and affection for his first wife in these verses that he could so soon again enter the matrimonial state; but the care of his then large family of children necessitated his having a helpmate, and he married a second time January 1st, 1683-4, to Lydia Gorham. Family tradition furnishes us with an interesting anecdote concerning his first and second wives which will be found related in full in Note No. 2, following this record. Lydia Gorham, his second wife, was a daughter of Colonel John Gorham of Barnstable, Mass., and his wife, Desire (Howland) Gorham. She died at Yarmouth, August 2nd, 1744, having survived her husband many years. Both she and her husband were buried in the old cemetery at Yarmouth, Mass. The stone that marks their graves was the first inscribed stone erected in the Yarmouth burying ground and bears the following inscription:—

"In memory of the Honorable John Thacher, Esq.,
Who departed this life 8. May, 1713 in the 75th year of
his age, and in memory of Lydia Thacher his
wife, who died 2 August 1744, in the 84th year of
her age."

Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher made his will under date of April 25th, 1713, and it was proved July 27th, 1713; a copy of this will will be found at the end of this record in Note 3.

The following is a transcript of the official record of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher as extracted from the records of the Colony of New Plymouth, New England, as published by order of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, edited by N. B. Shutleff, M. D., Boston, 1853, and which is to be found in all important public libraries, to wit:—

1666. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5th, 1666. "John Thacher sworn as a member of the Grand Inquest."

1667. Court of Assistants, Plymouth, October 30th, 1667. "John Thacher on land committee for Yarmouth. Also letters of administration granted by Court unto John Thacher on estate of Mr. Anthony Thacher, deceased."

1667-8. Court of his Majesty, Plymouth, March 5th, 1667-8. "Letters of administration granted to Mistress Elizabeth Thacher

and unto John Thacher on the estate of Mr. Anthony Thacher, deceased."

1668. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1668. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth, and ratified as selectman for Yarmouth."

1669. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 1st, 1669. "John Thacher audits Treasurer accounts July 8, 1669; he is elected deputy from Yarmouth."

1670. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1670. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth, ratified as selectman of Yarmouth; on list of freeman of Yarmouth May 29, 1670, and appointed by Court to look after collection of minister's rates."

1671. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5th, 1671. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman of Yarmouth."

1672. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5th, 1672. "John Thacher ratified as selectman for Yarmouth; also on Coroners Jury to view body of Richard Lake's daughter."

1673. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1673. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman of Yarmouth; he was also present as deputy from Yarmouth at Court held at Plymouth, September 15th, 1673."

1673-4. General Court at Plymouth, March 4, 1673-4. "John Thacher appointed by Court to act as one of the administrators of the estate of Richard Taylor."

1674. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1674. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman for Yarmouth. Sergeant John Thacher made ensign of Yarmouth Co. of Militia, July 7th, 1674."

1675. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 1st, 1675. "John Thacher ratified as selectman for Yarmouth."

1676. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1676. "Ensign John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman for Yarmouth."

1676-7. Court of his Majesty, March 6, 1676-7. "John Thacher has delivered unto him Yarmouth's share of certain contributions from Ireland to assist the poor, rendered needy by the Indian War." "Mentions John Thacher as partaking in distribution of fund sent from Ireland for the relief of such as are impoverished, distressed and in necessity by the late Indian War." "Yarmouth £—.10^{sh}. 00^{d}. Mr. John Thacher."

1677. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5, 1677. "John Thacher ratified as selectman for Yarmouth."

Majesty's Court of Plymouth, November 1, 1677. "John Thacher on Coroner's Jury on death of James Claybourne."

1678. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 5th, 1678. "John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman for Yarmouth, and acted as adviser in administration of estate of Thomas Phillips."

1679. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1679. "Ensign John Thacher elected deputy for Yarmouth and ratified as selectman for Yarmouth."

1680. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 1st, 1680. "John Thacher audits Treasurer's accounts June 4, 1680. He is elected a deputy and ratified as a selectman for Yarmouth."

1681. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1681. "Ensign John Thacher ratified as selectman for Yarmouth, he was approved of and appointed by Court to be Lieutenant in the Yarmouth Militia Company; and Lieutenant John Thacher was appointed by Court to be of the Council of War."

Court of his Majesty at Plymouth, October 28th, 1681. "John Thacher on jury to try Thomas Saddeler."

1682. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 6th, 1682. "John Thacher chosen and sworn in as an Assistant to Governor."

Court of his Majesty, July 7th, 1682. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

Court of his Majesty, October 31st, 1682. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1682-3. Court of his Majesty, March 6, 1682-3. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1683. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 6th, 1683. "John Thacher audits Treasurer's accounts, June 8th, 1683; he was also chosen an Assistant and also appointed on a committee to revise laws and to audit Treasurer's accounts."

1683-4. Court of his Majesty, March 5th, 1683-4. "John Thacher present as Assistant. He together with other Assistants, the Governor and Deputy Governor, acte in the settlement of the estate of Desire Gorham" (his mother-in-law).

1684. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1684. "John Thacher chosen an Assistant; and as Assistant records that Jonathan Hawes chooses his uncle Jeremiah Hawes as his guardian."

Court of his Majesty, July 1st, 1684. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1684-5. Court of his Majesty, March 5th, 1684-5. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1685. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 2nd, 1685. "John Thacher chosen Assistant. Entered on Treasurer's account as owing a fine of 5 shillings. Capt. John Thacher and Mr. Barnabas Lothrop directed by this Court to settle the estate of Wm. Chase of Yarmouth, deceased."

Court of his Majesty at Plymouth, October 27th, 1685. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1686. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June ——, 1686. "John Thacher chosen Assistant."

1687. Records are entirely missing for the year, but it is presumed John Thacher was Assistant.

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1689. General Court of Election at Plymouth, 1st Tuesday of June, 1689. "John Thacher chosen Assistant, and his name entered on list of freemen."

General Court of Assistants at Plymouth, August 14th, 1689. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

His Majesty's Court at Plymouth, October 2nd, 1689. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

His Majesty's Court at Plymouth, December 25th, 1689. "John Thacher present as Assistant." "John Thacher fined 20^{sh} for absence, fine remitted it being first offense." "John Thacher appointed first one of a committee of six (6) chosen and appointed by the Court to take and adjust the accounts and charges of the War relating to the late expedition against the Indians; and to make report to the Court to the end that soldiers and others concerned may have their wages and dues paid with all convenient speed. Captain John Thacher, Captain Jonathan Sparrow and Mr. John Gorham appointed a sub-committee to act for the County of Barnstable."

1690. Court of Assistants at Plymouth, April 1st, 1690. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1690. "John Thacher chosen as Assistant."

General Court at Plymouth, November 4th, 1690. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

General Court at Plymouth, 1st Thursday, December, 1690. "John Thacher, Esq., present as Assistant."

1690-1. Court of Majesty's Assistants, February 11, 1690-1. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1691. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 2, 1691 (last Court of Election at Plymouth). "John Thacher chosen Assistant."

General Court at Plymouth, July 7th, 1691. "John Thacher present as Assistant."

1692. Court of Assistants at Plymouth, April 5th, 1692. "John Thacher present as Assistant. This was the last Court of Assistants of Plymouth Colony, which colony thereafter became a part of the Province of Massachusetts Bay."

From the Acts and Resolves of the Province of Massachusetts, published by authority of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts we obtain the following record of the continuation of the Public Service of Hon. Col. John^{3} Thacher, to wit:—

1692. General Court at Boston, June 8th, 1692. "Captain John Thacher representative for Barnstable County."

1693. Captain John Thacher representative for Barnstable County.

1694-5.	John Thacher, Esq., Councillor or Assistant for former Colony of New Plymouth, Mass.						
1695-6.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1696-7.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1697.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1698.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1699-1700.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1700-1.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1701-2.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1702.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1703-4.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1704-5.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1705-6.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1706-7.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1707.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

This last year Mr. Thacher did not sign the oath of office.

This completes the record of his official services as given in the printed Colonial records of Plymouth Colony and the Province of Massachusetts Bay.

From the *N. E. H. G. Reg.*, Vol. XVI., pp. 24 and 146, we obtain the following:—

"1694, June 2nd, John Thacher signed as Assistant the deed of Eastham, Mass., from the Indians. Sachamus signed deed for the Indians; deed witnessed by John Thacher and John Seabury."

John[3] Thacher's heirs were among the grantees of the 7 Narragansett Townships laid out by the General Court and confirmed April 18th, 1735.

Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher had but one brother and one sister. Judah[3] Thacher, his brother, left male issue, but they all died without issue; hence the male line of Antony[2] Thacher was perpetuated only through his son, Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher, who is therefore the ancestor of all of the Cape Cod Thachers living at the present time. Descent from Hon. Col. John [3] Thacher entitles his descendants to membership according to their sex in the following societies: Colonial Wars, Colonial Dames, and the Society of Founders and Patriots, and the Order of Americans of Armorial Ancestry. Descendants of his second wife, Lydia (Gorham) Thacher, are entitled to membership in Society of Mayflower Descendants, as Lydia Gorham's mother, Desire Howland, was the daughter of John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley; they are also by their ancestor, Lydia (Gorham) Thacher, entitled to membership in Colonial Wars, Colonial Dames and Founders and Patriots.

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NOTE: I deem it desirable here to state that the Hon. Peter[8] Thacher (Hon. Stephen,[7] Rodolphus,[6] Peter,[5] Rev. Ralph,[4] Rev. Thomas,[3] Rev. Peter,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), of Newton, Mass., born October 14th, 1810, died October 21st, 1894, for many years previous to his death devoted much time and money in endeavoring to clear up the record of the English origin of the Yarmouth-Boston Thacher family, as well as to collect a definite record of the Thachers in the United States.

On May 18th, 1882, he published a small pamphlet, in which he foreshadowed the conclusions which I have arrived at in compiling the English record of this family. His son, Stephen Thacher, Esq., of Boston, Mass., fell heir to the manuscript collections of his father relating to the Thacher family, and was so extremely courteous and considerate as to allow me to have temporary possession of the same during the period of my compilation of the English origin and genealogy of the family.

Hon. Peter[8] Thacher was much aided in his work by Miss Julia W. Redfield of Pittsfield Mass., who most generously presented to me her entire manuscript bearing upon her study of Thachers in England and the United States. In collecting the English records of the family, Hon. Peter[8] Thacher was also assisted greatly by Mr. J. Henry Lea, the American genealogist who has made and still does make a specialty of unravelling knotty questions of English ancestry; and the result of his research, made himself in England, as submitted to Hon. Peter[8] Thacher, was so complete and satisfactory as to be invaluable to me, in connection with my own search, in enabling me to draw the definite conclusions which characterize my chapters on the English origin and genealogy of the Thacher family. I desire here to acknowledge the excellence of the work of my predecessors in this field, and to record, in the name of those of Thacher blood, the debt due to Hon. Peter[8] Thacher and to Miss Redfield for clearing this field of many preliminary obstacles; and to likewise record my endorsement of Mr. Lea's exhaustive and clearly submitted reports upon the result of his search in England bearing upon the Thacher family.—J. R. T.

CORRECTION:—Page 43, 22nd line from top. Typographical error: "unvariably," should read "invariably."

THACHER-THATCHER GENEALOGY

PART V.

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AND HIS DESCENDANTS

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Notes Concerning the Record of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher.

Note 1: The verses composed hy Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher under date of August 30th, 1683, comprise some 322 lines, a full copy of which may he seen in the manuscript Thacher Genealogy compiled by Hon. George Thacher of Biddeford, Maine (1754–1824), one of the rare copies of which may seen in the Lihrary of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. The verses are not of any poetic merit hut form a fair example of the verbose and unduly extended emotional eulogy which hereaved ones of those times indulged in rehearsing the virtues of their departed dead. We append here helow only such extracts from these verses as possess distinct genealogical value, the extracts given hearing full evidence of the literary and metric value of the entire effusion. Marrying as he did just four months after delivering himself of such an extensive and enthusiastic eulogy, many might be excused for suspecting the author of some degree of exaggeration of his real sentiments; hut in justice to his memory let it he horne in mind that he was the father of a family of seven young children who much needed a woman's care and thus the force of circumstances undouhtedly aided a distinctly pronounced preference in the selection of his second help-mate.

The verses, extracts from which are here below quoted, were hequeathed hy Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher to his children accompanied by the following letter of explanation and advice, viz.:

"Here you may find a few broken leaves which I leave to your consideration, my children; in which you have some hrief and short hints of things and passages which your poor father more largely descanted upon in the time of his melancholy mourning hours for his exceeding great loss of his most dear and loving wife, and your dear and tender mother, who went from this sinful weary world to those mansions of joy and rest prepared by her Lord and Christ for her on the 15th day of July ahout eleven or twelve o'clock in the night in the year 1683; she being as I count within one day of 41 years of age. Proverhs, 18. 'My son, hear the instructions of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother.'

These lines which here are left of me
May speak when I no more shall he
And also you in mind may put
Of that which else may be forgot.

Your greatly affectionate father
J. T."

Extracts from Verses.

"When I was young and a mate did need,
To God I went me to succeed;
Who graciously did me guide,
So that a virtuous maid I spied,
Rebecca Winslow was her name,
Brought up in family of fame
For Godliness and piety
To which place I went speedily
[This prohably means Marshfield]
Where I obtained help meet for me.
Such jewels now how rare they he;
She young and fair, a comely one
She is now gone. I'm left to mourn.
My case most sad and desolate
Because I have lost my tender mate.
Full twenty years and one I had
This mate which always made me glad
Yea, and to add unto the score
Eight months and nine days she lived more.
These two sums do complete the time
In which Rebecca, she was mine."

* * *

"For, *in the month of September*, last,
On *seventh day* as I it cast,
My little habe away was took
When it most pleasingly did look.
Of which hereaving stroke I speak
The heart of my dear wife did break."

* * *

"*Five weeks* and then twas taken home
Methinks I hear the mother mourn
Her little *Mary* gone to rest,
So quickly snatched from tender breast.
This cost tender mother many sith,
And helped shorten her precious life,
Me thinks I hear her still to say,
I shan't make much delay,
Before that with my sweet babe, I
Shall be with Christ, eternally."

* * *

"Yet then I hegged of God to spare
My children and my wife so dear;
But Oh! I was so dull I see
My wife and child they both must be
By cruel death removed from me.
My cries and tears could not avail

The time was come, death must prevail
To cut down that most pleasant vine
Which did flourish in this bouse of mine.
Full furnished now with fruit she goes
To hlessed grave there to repose."

* * *

"Oh! dismal was the night, I say
That followed *July's fifteenth day*
Such dismal loss I did sustain
That puts me to most grievous pain,
Her dying groans they pierced my heart;
I feel within my breast the smart
Of this sharp cutting chastisement
Which Thou, my Father dear, hast sent."

* * *

"*The children she hath left with me*
They are *daughters four and sons three;*
The *other two are in the grave,*
Where they their quiet resting have
With their dear mother where they lie,
In silent grave most quietly,
Their souls in bliss, Cbrist's arms within
While we are here committing sin."

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"*My wife, Rebecca,* leaves to me
Peter, her eldest son, was he
My first born, a child of prayer,
God make him of heaven an heir.
Josiah next did quickly come,
Oh! God, make him a hlessed son
Rebecca, eldest daughter, she
Her mother's name do bear to me.
Oh! that her mother's virtues she
May inherit continually.
Bethiah comes the next in place
To whom God will give his free grace.
John his father's name do bear
To which his mother rejoiced to bear;
And as his name grace do signify
Grace gave him to live eternally.
Elizabeth is next in count,
God grant her faith aloft may mount.
Hannah she the numher do complete
For her I beg thy mercy great,
And now, Oh! Lord, *my sons all three*
Let them he always blest of Thee;
And *these four daughters of mine*
Oh! God, let they for aye be thine."

AN ACROSTIC.

"**R**ighteous ones they haste away
Earth no longer this saint must stay;
Blest she was while she lived here,
Each one laments thee now my dear.
Christ was her all, God was her fear
And to his Gospel she gave ear;
Her delight was in saints communion

'**T**was great while she was her journey on.
Home now sbe's gone to return no more
And she's safe arrived at the other shore,
Choice pleasures now she doth enjoy
Heaven is the place where she rests for aye,
Ever to he with Christ ber friend
Rejoicing world without an end.

August 30th, 1683."

The value of this effusion from the pen of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher from a genealogical standpoint is as follows: It fixes specifically his 1st wife's haptismal name as Rebecca. It states that he went away from his home to he married; and although we have no existing record of the place of his marriage, it is a fair presumption that he went to Marshfield where his hride's parents lived. In fact Hon. George Thacher, in his genealogy of the Thachers, hefore referred to, specifically states that the marriage took place in Marshfield; which statement was made from information ohtained from reliable sources by him over a hundred years ago. It fixes also the date of his 1st marriage specifically; for Rehecca his 1st wife died July 15th, 1683; and 21 years, 8 months and 9 days the time she was his wife places the date of her marriage at Novemher 6th, 1661, as I have given it. The verses also estahlish the fact that he had 9 children by his 1st wife, 7 of whom were living at her death; and he gives therein their names in order of their hirth as we have them recorded. The ninth (9th) child, sex not given, as we have recorded it, was in all probability the 1st horn and was probahly born hetween 1661 and 1665, and probably died at birth or in early infancy as we have no mention of its name in the verses.

NOTE NO. 2. Family tradition furnishes us with an interesting anecdote relating to the first and second wives of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher, which is as follows: On his return to Yarmouth from Marshfield with his first bride and company, they stopped at the house of Captain John Gorham at Barnstable. In the merry conversation with the newly married couple, an infant was brought into the room, about three weeks old, and Mr. Thacher was informed the child had been born on such a night; he replied that it was the very night on which he was married; and taking the child in his arms he presented it to his bride saying: "Here, my dear, is a little lady born the same night that we were married; I wish you would kiss it, as I intend to have her for my second wife." "I will, my dear," she replied "to please you, but I hope it will be a long time before you have that pleasure!" so taking the babe, she kissed it. This jesting prediction was eventually verified. Mr. Thacher's first wife Rebecca Winslow died, and the child Lydia Gorham, arriving at mature age actually became his 2nd wife January 1st, 1683-4. Upon the death of his first wife July 15th, 1683, Hon. John[3] Thacher was plunged into what seemed to be hopeless grief and composed to her memory an eulogistic poem of many lines under date of August 30th, 1683. Yet so capable is the human heart of healing, and so remarkable was his recuperative powers that on January 1st, 1683–4, he was married again and his second bride was the baby of the tradition (then become a young lady.) The family tradition goes on to relate the interesting manner of, and incidents connected with, his winning his second wife. After the death of his first wife Mr. Thacher while riding one day through Barnstable, saw a horse belonging to his son Peter tied to a tree in front of Capt. Gorham's residence; and as a thoughtful parent is inclined, he went in to see what his son was doing. He found that his son had made considerable advance in his suit for the hand of Lydia Gorham (the infant of the foregoing narrative) whom he Col. John[3] had predicted he would have for his second wife; and whether it was on account of the aforesaid prophecy or because his attention had been attracted to the young lady before, he took his son Peter aside and offered him ten pounds old tenor, and a yoke of black steers, to induce him to abandon his suit. Tradition does not state whether Peter was an obedient son and accepted the offer, or whether his father succeeded in spite of his rival. The date of birth of Lydia Gorham, 2nd wife of Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher is variously given as follows; *Allen's Thacher Genealogy* pp. 33–34 gives the date as November 6, 1661; *Plymouth Colony Records* Vol. VIII, p. 44 and *Savage's Gen. Dic.* Vol. II, p. 281 gives it as November 11th, 1661; and *N. E. His. Gen. Reg.* Vol. LII, p. 358 gives it as November 16th, 1661. Which of these dates is absolutely correct I will not attempt to state but inasmuch as John[3] Thacher specifically states in his verses that he was married November 6th, 1661, and inasmuch as the very old story as given above states that Lydia Gorham, the baby of the narrative, was born on the day John[3] Thacher married Rebecca Winslow, I have recorded Lydia Gorham's date of birth as November 6, 1661.

WILL OF HON. COL. JOHN[3] THACHER.

NOTE 3. "In the name of God, Amen, I, John Thacher of Yarmouth, in the County of Barnstable, in New England, considering my age and near approach to death, and being at this time threw the mercy of God to me of disposing mind and memory; do make and ordain this my last will and testament.

In manner and form following:

First. I comitt my spirit to God that gave it, and my body to ye Earth from whence it was taken, believing that at ye Last Day they shall be reunited together again; and that this very body which I now lay down in the Dust being kept by the mighty power of Christ Jesus shall be raised up again at ye Last Day; and being reunited to my Soul shall appear before his Tribunal seat, who having of his own free Grace and more mercy in Jesus Christ by the Blood of his soul done away all my sin, yea he, by himselfe being once offered hath purged away all my sins and sanctified me by that once offering of his body, will raise it up a Glorious Body that both Soul and body may reign with him in Glory forever Amen. And as for my temporal and outward estate which it hath pleased God to lend me, as Housings, lands, goods and chattels I do order, give and dispose ye same in manner following, that is to say;—first, I will that all

my Debts which I owe in Right or conscience to any person whatsoever shall be well and truly paid and satisfyed by my Executors hereafter named in convenient time after my Decease out of my moveable estate.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son *Peter Thacher* and to his heirs and assigns forever, a piece of marsh lying att ye west of ye Neck pasture bounded northerly by the way that leads into ye Loane Tree furlong and ye crick yt runs down betwixt that and Joseph Howes his meadow, and on ye other side by the creek that runs betwixt that and John Hallett's marsh up southeastward to a small creek or gutter and so up from ye creek straight to a white oake tree marked on two sides, and thence on a straight line northward across the point of upland to a strip which is hollow on ye west side a flat rock lying close to ye hollow thereof, and westward by ye foresaid way to ye meadow aforesaid, and that he my son and his heirs and assigns shall forever att their own cost and charge make and maintain all ye fence that shall belong thereto and that the way unto ye same shall ever be att ye corner by said stump. I do also give *to my said son Peter*, Perkins first volume or booke and my great book called "ye Christians Warfare;" as also my cradle and bearing blanket which he has in possession.

Item: I do give to *my son John Thacher* and to his heirs and assigns forever, my land att Plainfield, in ye County of New London, or that which Mr. James Fitch hath sett out according to my agreement with him, in exchange for that in Plainfield aforesaid; as also two acres of Creek Stuff and broken marsh next to Joseph Gorham's where Thomas Haddaway hath used to mow, with privilege of flooding it up to the Drying Ground at Greean Hill after the grass is mown; and also liberty of way to cart it away; and also ten shares in the third division of ye Comons and undivided Lands and meadows within the township of Yarmouth. Furthermore, I do give to him, *my son, John* my gold ring with a seal that was my father's and Perkins 3rd volume or book and Ainsworth's Annotations, as also a piece of marsh lying on ye north side of ye way that leads into ye Lone Tree Furlong containing about one acre and a half.

Item: I give unto ye male heirs of my son *Josiah Thacher*, deceased, that lot the Close which I intended for him my said son as it is now inclosed by ye Great Ditch in the Swamp and *my son Peter's* fence on ye westward side and by my fence on ye northwest, and by ye present fence eastward and southward; provided that they shall and do annually winter and summer make and keepe up a sufficient fence (by sufficient fence I mean such as shall keep out swine, cattle and horses) where now it is, beginning at the great ditch westward and extending eastward and northward to the half part of ye whole from the said ditch to ye North end of ye cross fence; and that if occasion shall be hereafter they shall draw back westward to the east corner of his fence by ye Highway, westward to a stump in said fence for an outlett to pass and repass to and from my house to ye highway, and also if it happen that they the said heirs or their heirs or assigns shall see cause to sell the said close during ye time of any of my children or any one of them possessing ye land adjoining thereto on either side thereof, they shall first offer it to him or them so joining aforesaid, and they or any one of them paying twenty pounds to ye said heirs shall have said Close and all the fence belonging to it and they said heirs so selling shall seal and deliver a sufficient deed for the same; and if neither of my children will buy, they said heirs may sell to whom they please, which condition being observed and performed shall according to the true intent thereof this bequest shall stand good forever; but if otherwise it shall be utterly void and of no effect, and as the said close was part of my homestead so it shall be again and belong to the possession thereof anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Item: I give and bequeath to my *four sons, Judah, Joseph, Benjamin* and *Thomas* their heirs and assigns forever all my housing, lands, and meadows with all the privileges and appurtenances excepting as before, and if it pleaseth God to take away any of them by Death before they arrive to ye age of twenty and one years or are married, his or their part of my said housing, land and meadow shall fall in equal part to the survivors.

Item: I give unto *my daughter, Rebecca Sturges*, besides what she hath formerly had of me as her portion, Mr. Robert Bolton's works and six shillings more of my estate.

Item: To *my daughter Bethiah Paine*, I give and bequeath besides what I have formerly given her Mr. Perkins 2nd volume or book and also ten shillings of my estate.

Item: I give to ye children of *my daughter Elizabeth Hatch*, deceased besides what I have formerly given to her as her portion, ten shillings of my estate.

Item: My will is that all ye rest of my moveable Estate both within doors and without and whatsoever is owing to me (except such utensils as are for the management of ye Husbandry as cart, plows, yokes, chains, etc.) be equally divided two equal parts or shares; the one half part I give and bequeath to *my loving wife Lydia* to her dispose forever, and the other half part shall be divided into four equal parts which I give and bequeath to *my four youngest daughters by my present wife Lydia* to each one of them one equal fourth part, they paying unto *their sisters Lydia Freeman* and *Mary Gorham* six shillings apiece; and further my will is that *my wife* shall have the improvement of my housings, lands and meadows and receive the profits thereof *during her being my widow* for her own and childrens support *and att her decease or marriage my said four sons* shall have ye profits thereof and shall possess the same as they come to age to inherit; and while my said wife shall have ye profits of my said lands, she shall keep my dwelling house in good repair, from time to time she shall also have the use of cart, plows, yokes, chains, etc. for ye management of ye Husbandry, she repairing and renewing of ye same as need may be for ye use of my sons when the improvement of ye land comes to them; further *I give to ye two drummers of Yarmouth*, if they be at my funeral five shillings apiece in money, that so my children may have my weapons, though I had much rather be decently buried without Military Ceremony.

Lastly I do now make and constitute and *appoint my beloved wife Lydia and my son Peter Thacher* to be *Executors* to this my will. And I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every former testaments, wills, legacies and bequests and executors by me in any ways before named, willed and bequeathed, Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of April in ye year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirteen.

(sgd) John Thacher (seal)

Signed, sealed, published pronounced and declared by the said John Thacher as his last will and testament in presence of us.

(sgd) Daniel Greenleaf.
(sgd) Stephen Greenleaf.
(sgd) Mary Gorham

Barnabas Lothrop, Esq., Commissionated by his Excellency ye Governor Counsal of this her Majesty's Province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New England, to be Judge of ye Probate of Wills and for granting Letters of Administration on ye estates of persons deceased, having goods, chattels, rights or credits in ye County of Barnstable within ye province aforesaid. To all unto whom these presents may come Greeting. Know ye that upon ye nineteenth day of June 1713 before me at Barnstable in ye County aforesaid ye *will of John Thacher Esq.* late of Yarmouth, in said County, deceased to the presents annexed *was proved and is approved and allowed* who having while he lived and att ye time of his death, goods, chattels, Rights or Credits in the County aforesaid, and ye Probate of ye said will and power of committing administration of all and singular the goods, chattels and Credits of the said deceased by virtue thereof appertaining unto me. The *administration* of all and singular the goods, chattels, Rights and Credits of the said deceased and his will in any manner concerning *is hereby committed unto Lydia Thacher widow, relict of ye deceased, Executrix* in ye same will named (*Mr. Peter Thacher* another executor in ye said will named *having renounced his executorship and refuseth to act therein*) and she to administer the estate of ye said deceased according thereunto, and to make a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, Rights and Credits of ye said deceased and to exhibit ye same faithfully unto ye Registery of ye Court of Probate for ye County aforesaid, and also to render a plain and true account of said administration upon oath. In testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my

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hand and ye seal of ye said Court of Probate. Dated Barnstahle, ye 27th day of July in ye twelfth year of her Majesties Reign Anno Domini 1713.

(sgd) Barnahas Lothrop."

The property of John[3] Thacher, bequeathed in his ahove will to his son, John[4] Thacher, situated in Plainfield, is found described in the following deed which was copied direct from the Norwich, Conn., Land Records:

NORWICH, CONN., LAND RECORDS, BOOK 2 A, page 12.

To all people to whome these Presents shall come *ononeco* son and heire unto *unkas* deceased *sachems of moheagine* in ye county of New London in new england in america Send Greeting & know yee that I the sd *ononeco* for and in consideration of the sum of five pounds unto me in hand paid by *capt John Thacher* of the *town of yarmoth* in the *county of barnstable* in *newing Land* in america afforesaid gentleman wharewith I doe acknowlidg my selff to he fully satisfied contented & paid & thereoff & of every part & parcell thereof I the sd *ononeco* doe hy these presents acquite exonerate & discharge the sd *capt John Thacher* his heires exekutors and administrators & every of them for ever Have freely & ahsaltuily [ahsolutely] hargained & sould allienated Infeoffed & confirmed & hy these presents I doe bargain sell allienat Infeoff & confirme from me the sd *ononeco* & my heires unto the sd *capt John Thacher* his heires & assigns for ever all that my hundred acres of Land that I have Lying & heing on the *eastwardside of quinabaug river* neere *pigscomsite* Laid out at first in comon with fifty acres of the land of mr John miller two thirds of the hundred & fifty of the upland & halff the meadow in & aioyning to the sd hundred & fifty acres of Land the sd hundred acres ahuting northwesterly on the Land of mr John miller three hundred & twenty rodds ahuting southwesterly on the comons fifty two rodds & a quarter abuting southeastwardly on the Land of Thomas waterman & of Stephen merick three hundred & twenty rodds at the northward end abuting on a hrooke it heing fifty two rodds in width right across the sd Land the same width the southwest end mentioned in the thirteenth Lyne whare it is inter Lyned & halff the meadow Land on the northan side of the sd hrook between the affore mentioned hundred & fifty acres of Land & the upland comons on the north sid of the sd brooke at the northward end of the sd upland all that my hundred acres of upland & meadow more or less as it is huted & bounded I the said *ononeco* for and in consideration Afforesd have hargained & sould so affooresd unto the *sd Capt Thacher* with all the appurtenances & privelidge thereunto helonging & all my rights title and Interest off & into the sd hargained premises belonging & every part and parcell thereoff To have and to hould etc.

In Witness whareof The above named *ononeco* have hereunto seete my hand & sealle this the 23: of aprill anno: 1686

oneco his X mark ( ) seal.

Signed sealled & Delivered
in presents of us
William Backus
Simon Huntington

Norwich march 4th Anno 1689
oneco sachem of *moheagin* acknowlidged & signed this deed (unto which william backus & simon huntington ar witnesses) hefore me James Fitch assist

35. JUDAH[3] THACHER (Antony[2], Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., probably, although we have no record thereof; date of birth ——; he was always given in lists of his father's children as junior to his brother John,[3] and hence was probably born some time early in the 1640's. He resided at Yarmouth and what his business or occupation was we have no record; he is recorded, however, as Surveyor of Highways for Yarmouth. He died at Yarmouth, November 4th, 1676, and was probably buried in Old Cemetery at Yarmouth, although no stone marks his grave at

this time, nor have we ever obtained any intimation that there ever was one. He married at Yarmouth, Mass., the 2nd of ——, ——, the year being probably about 1666, Mary Thornton, who was born in ——, England, about the the year 1640, and died in Boston, Mass., at home of her daughter, Mary (Thacher) Grant, November 30th, 1708, aged 68, and was buried in Boston in Copp's Hill burying ground, where a grave stone marks her grave. She was a daughter of Rev. Thomas Thornton, of Yarmouth and Boston, Mass., and Mary (——) Thornton, his wife.

Children 6 (Thacher), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born in Yarmouth, Mass.

+58 i. Elizabeth,[4] born October ——, 1667; died ——; married, first, Joshua Gee; married, second, Peter[4] Thacher (Rev. Thos.[3], Rev. Peter,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), as his third wife.

+59 ii. Thomas,[4] born May 18th, 1669; died ——, 1701-2; probably unmarried.

+60 iii. Mary,[4] born March 17th, 1671; died ——, ——; married, first, Moses Draper; married, second, Joseph Grant.

61 iv. Judah 1st,[4] born —— 21st, 1673 (?); died October 6th, 1676, in infancy, and was probably buried in Yarmouth. No stone marks his grave.

62 v. Ann,[4] born October 31st (last of October, not 31st specifically), 1674; died at Boston, Mass., September 7th, 1706, according to the manuscript notes of the late Hon. Peter Thacher, of Newton, Mass., whose authority for the statement is unknown to me. She is supposed to have died unmarried, as no record of her marriage has ever been discovered. Where she is buried is not a matter of record.

63 vi. Judah 2nd,[4] born December 7th, 1676; died ——, 1705; he is supposed to have died unmarried, as no record of his marriage has ever been discovered; he removed to Boston, Mass., and it is recorded that he joined the 2nd Church there, January 29th, 1698-9. His place of burial is unknown. His estate was administered upon by his brother-in-law, Joshua Gee, May 20th, 1705. He was a seaman.

Of Judah[3] Thacher little is known; he was born in Yarmouth, Mass., according to *Freeman's Cape Cod*, Vol. 11, p. 194. In the distribution of the estate of his father, Antony[2] Thacher, he received his share of the real estate; and he lived and presumably died in Yarmouth, and according to *Freeman's Cape Cod*, was buried there, November 7th, 1676. We have no record of his birth, but he is always recorded as the junior of his brother,

John[3] Thacher, and hence was born subsequent to 1638-9 and, if as stated he was born in Yarmouth, his birth occurred probably early in the 1640's. D. W. Allen's Thacher Genealogy says that he died November 4th, 1676; but upon what authority he makes such statement I do not know, but taken in connection with the excellent authority of Freeman, who says that he was buried November 7th, 1676, it is fair to presume that Allen is correct in the date of his death as I have given it. He was at his death then but 36 years old, a comparatively young man.

1676-7. March 6th. At Court of Assistants at Plymouth. "Letters of administration granted by Court unto Mary, the relict of Mr. Judah Thacher, deceased, and unto Mr. John Thacher (his brother) and unto Nathaniel Hall to administer the estate of the said Judah Thacher.

"Concerning the settlement of the estate of Mr. Judah Thacher, of Yarmouth, late deceased, the Court hath ordered that the widow shall have the whole profit of the estate, both personal and real, until the children come to their respective ages, for and towards the bringing up of the children; and when the children come of age the eldest son to have the house and half the land most convenient to the house according to the worth of it; and the other son to have the other half of the lands; and his three (3) daughters to have £10 apiece out of the personal estate; and the remainder of the estate to the widow forever, and the third of the profits of the land during her natural life, only if need shall require. The Court ordereth that the two sons shall pay £5 apiece out of their estate to be paid and disposed unto and for the bringing up of the younger children, or unto the daughters as the Court shall see cause, and in such convenient time as the Court shall judge meet."

1667. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 2d, 1667. "Mr. Judah Thacher, surveyor of the highways for Yarmouth."

1668. General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1668. "Mr. Judah Thacher, surveyor of the highways for Yarmouth."

1670. May 29th. "Mr. Judah Thacher on list of freemen at Yarmouth, Mass."

General Court of Election at Plymouth, June 7th, 1670. "Mr. Judah Thacher sworn as a member of the Grand Inquest."

1671. April 28th. "Mr. Judah Thacher on Coroner's Jury."

1674. October 27th. "Mr. Judah Thacher on jury for trial of a native named Matthias for murder, prisoner acquitted."

After the death of her husband, it is thought that Mary (Thornton) Thacher, widow of Judah[3] Thacher, continued to live in Yarmouth, Mass., until about 1690 or 1691. Her father, Rev. Thomas Thornton, became minister at Yarmouth in 1662, and remained as such until 1693, when he removed to Boston. The records of the 2nd Church at Boston show that Judah[3]

Thacher's widow joined that Church, November 1st, 1691. Ann[4] Thacher, her daughter, joined same Church May 10th, 1696; and Judah[4] Thacher, her son, joined it January 29th 1698-9; and likewise her daughter, Mary[4] Thacher, joined it on September 26th, 1703. It will be noted that we have no record of her son, Thomas[4] Thacher, joining that Church nor any other in Boston; nor is there any record of Elizabeth[4] Thacher, her eldest daughter, joining the 2nd, or any other Church in Boston under her maiden name; but in the History of the 2nd Church, Boston, we find that she and her husband, Joshua Gee, joined the 2nd Church May 2nd, 1697. Hence all of Judah[3] Thacher's children who were alive joined the 2nd Church, Boston, except his son, Thomas[4] Thacher; and the reason why he did not, or rather was not able to, join said Church was that he was for many years previous to his death, 1701-2, a captive with the Moors and died in prison.

When Mary (Thornton) Thacher removed to Boston, she made her home with her daughter, Mary[4] Thacher, who married first, Moses Draper, and second, Joseph Grant. She continued to live in Boston until her death, which occurred November 30th, 1708, at the age of 68; and she was buried in Copp's Hill Burying Ground, where a stone erected to her memory still exists and which is thus inscribed, viz:—

> "Here lyes buried ye body of Mrs. Mary Thacher, widdow, late wife of Judah Thacher of Yarmouth, departed this life November ye 30th, 1708, in ye 68th year of her age."

Rev. Thomas Thornton, father of Mary Thornton who married Judah[3] Thacher, came over to this country from England in 1662 and settled that same year as minister of Yarmouth. He was rated in the tax list of Yarmouth, April 29th, 1676, at £2, 10s.; and his name appears on the list of Freemen of Yarmouth in 1678. He remained as minister there until 1693. In 1691 Rev. John Cotton was settled at Yarmouth as colleague of Thomas Thornton, and in 1693 Mr. Thornton, on account of old age and infirmity, relinquished his charge at Yarmouth and removed to Boston, where he made his home with his son, Timothy, at whose home he died February 15th, 1699-1700, at 3 P. M.

Freeman's History of Cape Cod, Vol. II, pp. 200-1, note, thus gives his pedigree, viz:—

1. Richard Thornton, a merchant of York, England, in 1514, had by his wife, Jane, who was a daughter of John Norman, of York.
2. John Thornton, who was living in 1584 at Birdforth, parish of Coxwold, in the North Riding of Yorkshire. This John married Anne, daughter of Christopher Tomlinson, of the same parish, and they had
3. Thomas Thornton, who married Ellen, daughter of Percival, son of Lord Lumley, and they had

4. John Thornton, of Birdforth, in 1681, who married Grace, daughters of Thomas Withers, of Copgrave, and who died about 1628. They had

5. Thomas Thornton, born about 1609, in England. This Thomas Thornton was a Non-conformist minister in England and eventually he emigrated to this country in 1662, and became in that year the minister at Yarmouth. He married in England, Mary ——, and had issue as follows:

   i. Mary, born in England, about 1640, who married Judah[3] Thacher.

   ii. Anne, born in England, ——; who married Nathaniel Hall.

   iii. Theophilus, born in England, ——; he served in the Indian Wars in 1675-6 and then removed to Boston, and was thereafter one of the projectors of the settlement of Worcester, Mass.

   iv. Thomas, born in England, ——; he is supposed to have been the schoolmaster at Weymouth.

   v. Priscilla, born in England, ——; who died aged about 11 years.

   vi. Timothy, born in England, about 1650, as appears in a deposition made by him July 28th, 1680, when "about 30 years old"; being about 11 or 12 when my father came over (1662). He joined the 1st Church, Boston, September 17th, 1671, and continued in communion there many years. In 1690 he was dismissed to the 2nd Church, Boston, and remained with it 23 years, when he was dismissed to the New North Church and continued with it until his death. He was a wealthy shipping merchant in Boston.

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36. BETHIAH[3] THACHER (Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., probably, although we have no record thereof; date of birth ——. She is always given in list of her father's children as the youngest child and hence was probably born in Yarmouth some time in the 1640's. She resided at Yarmouth with her parents until her marriage, which took place presumably in Yarmouth some time about 1667 or 1668, as her 1st child was born November 15th, 1669, but we have no record of place or exact date of the marriage.

She died in Bristol, R. I., December 19th, 1725, and was presumably buried there although no stone marks her grave. She married Jabez Howland (son of John Howland and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, of Plymouth, Mass.), who was born at Plymouth, Mass., date ——; died at Bristol, Rhode Island, ——, 1711, or 1712, and was presumably buried in Bristol, although no stone marks sıɥ grave. He resided at Duxbury and Plymouth, Mass., and finally settled in Bristol, R. I. He was a blacksmith and cooper and carried on a large business. He was also an inn-keepr at Bristol, R. I. He was a representative to the General Court at Plymouth from Bristol, R. I., and was a selectman of Plymouth, Mass., and Bristol, R. I., Lieutenant in Indian Wars, and town clerk of Bristol, R. I., and also Assessor there.

Children 11 (Howland), 8 sons and 3 daughters. First 5 born in Plymouth, rest born in Bristol.

+64 i. Jabez,[4] born November 15th, 1669; died October 17th, 1732; married Patience Stafford.

65 ii. John, 1st,[4] born January 15th, 1672-3; died January 16th, 1672-3, at Plymouth and was buried there; no stone marks his grave

66 iii. Bethiah,[4] born June 3rd, 1674; died ——, 1676, at Plymouth, Mass., by accidental drowning; a Coroner's Jury returned a verdict that "she was accidentally drowned or stifled in a tub of clothes and water." She was buried in Plymouth, Mass. No stone marks her grave.

+67 iv. Josiah,[4] born August 6th, 1676; died February 8th, 1717; married Yetmercy Shove.

+68 v. John, 2nd,[4] born July 26th, 1679; died ——.

69 vi. Judah,[4] born May 7th, 1683; died November —, 1683, at Bristol, R. I., and was buried there November 12th, 1683. No stone marks his grave.

70 vii. Seth,[4] born January 5th, 1684-5; died April —, 1685, at Bristol, R. I., and was buried there. No stone marks his grave.

+71 viii. Samuel,[4] born May 16th, 1686; died May 15th, 1748; married first Abigail Carey; second "Madame" Rachel Allen.

72 ix. Experience,[4] born May 19th, 1687; died —— "soon," "in infancy," at Bristol, R. I., and was probably buried there. No stone marks her grave.

+73 x. Joseph,[4] born October 14th, 1692; died August 16th, 1737; married Bathsheba Carey.

74 xi. Elizabeth,[4] born ——; died ——; married Nathan Townsend, of Newport, R. I.

Bethiah[3] Thacher was in all probability born in Yarmouth, Mass., although we have no record of the place and date of her birth. She undoubtedly lived in Yarmouth with her parents until her marriage, which occurred probably in that town shortly after her father's death, which occurred in 1667; but we have no record of the place and date of her marriage, and can only gather a suggestion as to this date from the birth of her first child, Jabez[4] Howland, which took place November 15th, 1669. She and her husband lived in Plymouth, Mass., until 1681, when they removed to Bristol, R. I., where she died December 19th, 1725, and she was probably buried there, although no stone now marks her resting place.

Jabez Howland, husband of Bethiah[3] Thacher, was the second son of John Howland, who came over on the *Mayflower* on that ship's first trip in 1620 and of his wife, Elizabeth Tilley (a passenger on the first trip of the *Mayflower*), daughter of John Tilley, who likewise was a passenger on the first trip of the *Mayflower*. He, Jabez Howland, was born either in Duxbury or Plymouth, Mass., and lived in Plymouth, Mass., until 1681, where he and his wife were members of Rev. John Cotton's Church, and where he was also constable. He was engaged in military affairs and was a Lieutenant under Captain Benjamin Church in the Indian Wars and was present at the battle in which King Philip was killed. After the Indian Wars, in 1681, he removed with his wife and family to Bristol (then in the Colony of Massachusetts, it not having been joined to Rhode Island until January, 1746-7), and settled there. His first five children were born in Plymouth and the others in Bristol. The Plymouth Colony Records give the following as his official record, viz:—

1681. Jabez Howland, licensed to keep house of entertainment.

1682. Jabez Howland, selectman of Plymouth.

1684. Jabez Howland, ensign in Capt. John Walley's Company of New Bristol.

1685. Jabez Howland, selectman of Bristol.

1689. Jabez Howland, selectman of Bristol and deputy to General Court from Bristol.

1690. Jabez Howland, selectman of Bristol and deputy to Geenral Court from Bristol.

1697. Jabez Howland, deputy to General Court from Bristol (this may have been he or his son Jabez).

He was elected first Town Clerk of Bristol, November 10th, 1681, and held that office one year, and then became a selectman, and was thereafter made an assessor. He was by trade a blacksmith and cooper and carried on an extensive business; he also kept a tavern. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Bristol. His home in Bristol stood on what is now Hope Street. The house he occupied in Ply-

mouth was still standing in 1900 and a picture of it may be seen in "Family Records, Woolsey, Howland and Newton," on page 88, and this house is also described in *Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth.*

Jabez Howland, Senior, died and was buried in Bristol, but no stone now marks his grave. The date of his death is not recorded but he made his will May 14th, 1708, and it was proved February 21st, 1712, and therefore it is presumed that he died early in 1712 or late in 1711. A full copy of his will can be seen in the *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. VII, pp. 198-208.

The following is a record of the parents of Jabez Howland, Senior, viz:—

John Howland, passenger on the *Mayflower*, 1620, and 16th signer of the "Mayflower Compact," was born in England about 1592 (he was 80 years old at death). He resided at Duxbury and Plymouth, Mass., and died at Plymouth, Mass., February 23rd, 1672, and was buried on Burial Hill, Plymouth. He married Elizabeth Tilley (daughter of John Tilley and Elizabeth ——, his wife, both daughter and father having been passengers on the first trip of the *Mayflower* in 1620).

Elizabeth Tilley was born in 1607 and died in Swansea at the home of her daughter Lydia, wife of James Brown, on December 21st, 1687, Wednesday, aged 81, and was buried on Burial Hill, Plymouth, where a stone was erected to the memory of herself and husband. They had 10 children, of whom the second son was Jabez Howland, who married Bethiah[3] Thacher.

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FOURTH GENERATION.

37. HON. PETER[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born in Yarmouth, Mass., May 20th, 1665, resided at Yarmouth, Mass. He was a statesman and judge, selectman of Yarmouth from 1702 for five years, town treasurer of Yarmouth from 1709 for four years. He died at Yarmouth, Mass., February 13th, 1736, according to his grave stone (according to other authority on February 12th, 1736). He was buried in Old Cemetery in Yarmouth, where a stone marks his grave. He married at Yarmouth, Mass., (probably

as we have no record of the place of marriage), about 1692-3; we have no record of the date of his marriage, but his first child was born January 13th, 1693-4, from which we assume he was married about 1692-3. He married Thankful Sturgis; she was a daughter of Edward Sturgis (who was born April 10th, 1624; died December 8th, 1678) and his wife, Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis (born May 5th, 1646, at Marshfield, Mass., died March 12th, 1714-15), and who married as her second husband on January 27th, 1679, Thomas Baxter. Thankful Sturgis was born probably at Yarmouth, Mass., (where her parents lived), ——, 1675, (see date of death and age at death); before marriage she lived in Yarmouth, Mass. We have been unable to discover the exact date or place of her birth from the records. She died in Yarmouth, Mass., May 1st, 1745, "Aged 70," "in her 71st year" and was buried in the Old Cemetery there where a grave stone marks her grave. Her parents lived in Yarmouth, Mass., near the first meeting house.

Children 7 (Thacher); 3 sons and 4 daughters, all born in Yarmouth.

+75 i. Thankful,[5] born January 13th, 1693-4; died February 9th, 1768; married John Hallett.

76 ii. Peter 1st,[5] born December 11th, 1695; died ——; "in infancy" in Yarmouth, Mass., and was probably buried there; no grave stone.

77 iii. Son ——,[5] born July 20th, 1703 (about); died July 22nd, 1703, "two days old" in Yarmouth, Mass., and was probably buried there; no grave stone.

+78 iv. Sarah,[5] born February 2nd, 1708-9; died April 30th, 1762; married George Lewis.

+79 v. Temperance,[5] born September 16th, 1711; died July 11th, 1736; married Seth Crocker.

+80 vi. Peter, 2nd,[5] born August 24th, 1712; died August 22nd, 1775; married Anner Lewis.

81 vii. Hannah,[5], born August 10th, 1715; died June 14th, 1748, "in her 33rd year" at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried in Old Cemetery there, grave stone. She was not married.

The following is a copy of a letter writen to Nathaniel Otis, of Colchester, Conn., at the time of and concerning the death of Hon. Peter[4] Thacher. The letter is somewhat torn and the signature is missing and the year date is not given, viz:—

"Yarmouth, in the County of Barnstable, 12 February [1735-6]. This day died here, much lamented, the Hon. Peter Thacher, Esq., in the 71st year of his life; he was the eldest son of the late Hon. John Thacher, Esq., of this town. Deceased sustained several public services and Honors; having been one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County in 1713,

and one of the Judges of the Superior Court of Common Pleas from 1702, and first Justice of that Court from 1732, and one of His Majesty's Honorable Council several years; and so discharged these trusts, and held in esteem in both public and private life that he has left behind him a good name for his benevolence to mankind, the integrity of his (words missing) at Justice and doing them good, and above all for his piety to God. As a Judge he was full of compassion, and when bold transgressors were before him, seemed to wish their reformation more than to delight in their punishment. As a head of a family, was tender of his domesticks, and concerned for their welfare and specially for their soul's interests. As a Christian, ever humble, esteeming others better than himself; fearful of none's miscarrying more than his own. A devout man, and one that feared God always. In his last sickness, by which he languished under strong pains, (which he indured with profound submission to the divine hand), he was beset awhile with grievous fears which his latter hours (——torn——) removed to the great joy of his soul that (——torn——) ——red and unshaken hope of eternal glory (——torn——) passion and merit of Jesus Christ, and had (——torn——) him no doubt an happy and joyful (——balance torn off").

NOTE:—Since he was born in 1665 and died in the "71st year of his life" on February 12th, we calculate 1665 + 70 = 1735-6, which must be the year date of the letter, and which from records was as we know the year of his death.

In 1716-1717, Hon. Peter[4] Thatcher was appointed the Commissioner for Barnstable County to arrange for the issuing of notes for £100,000 for the Colony of Massachusetts.

In 1717-1718, he was appointed a Justice of the Peace for Indians in Barnstable County and Nantucket. In September, 1729, he was appointed to have care and government of the Indians within the County of Barnstable in all matter civil and criminal; he was authorized to appoint constables and other proper officers amongst them. He was a representative to the General Court of Massachusets in 1711-12, 1712-13, and in 1716-1717. He was Town Clerk of Yarmouth from 1705 till his death. The town records say that he died February 12th, 1735-6; his grave stone at Yarmouth records his death as February 13th same year.

In the abstract of his will taken from the Barnstable Probate Records, dated January 6th, 1735-6, he mentions his son Peter,[5] his daughter Hannah,[5] his grandson Peter Hallet. "To my son Peter, my bed which was *Mother Baxter's*;" "my son George Lewis, my walking stick which he gave me." "To my four (4) daughters, Thankful Hallet, Sarah Lewis, Temperance Crocker and Hannah Thacher." Witnesses: John Thacher, Judah Thacher, John Thacher, Jr. Letters testamentary were

granted February 6th, 1735-6. Total Inventory £876, 17sh + 33 old (tenor).

The *Mother Baxter* mentioned in the will was his wife's mother who first married Edward Sturgis and after his death married a second time to Thomas Baxter on January 27th, 1679-80. Thomas Baxter died June 22, 1713, and she died March 12th, 1714-15. Hon. Peter[4] Thatcher lived in the east half of the Thacher homestead in Yarmouth.

Thankful (Sturgis) Thacher, wife of Peter[4] Thacher was a sister of Desire (Sturgis) Dimmock, who married first Capt. Thomas Dimmock, and who after his death became the wife of John[4] Thacher (brother of Peter[4] Thacher). She was also a sister of James Sturgis, who was the first husband of Rebecca[4] Thacher, a sister of Peter[4] Thacher.

The will of Thankful (Sturgis) Thacher taken from the Barnstable Records, dated April 30th, 1745, mentions daughters, Thankful Hallet, Sarah Lewis and Hannah Thacher. To my son, Peter Thacher, my gold ring. To my grandson, John Hallet, Jr., my silver spoon. To Thomas Crocker, the only surviving son of my daughter Temperance Crocker. Hannah[5] Thacher was executrix. Letters were granted to her May 8th, 1745. Thankful (Sturgis) Thacher's will is the only Thacher will recorded in Barnstable County signed by a mark in place of a signature; but, as the will was dated a few days before her death it may have been weakness and not inability to write that caused her to use a mark instead of a regular signature.

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38. DEACON JOSIAH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., April 26th, 1667; baptized there on same day; he lived at Yarmouth, his home being on his father's land; he was a deacon in the church, and from 1693 till his death he was a selectman in Yarmouth; he died at Yarmouth, May 12th, 1701, (or 1702), "in his 36th year" and was buried in Old Cemetery at Yarmouth. He married at Yarmouth, February 25th, 1690-1, to Mary Hedge, (daughter of Elisha Hedge and Mary —— of Yarmouth), who was born at Yarmouth, March ——, 1671; she was 7 years old the last of March, 1678; she was admitted to Second Church, Yarmouth, from the First Church, August 6th, 1727; she died at ——; date ——; and was buried in Old Cemetery at Yarmouth where a foot stone marked "M. P." notes her resting place.

Children 5 (Thacher); 2 sons and 3 daughters, all born in Yarmouth.

82 i. Anthony,[5] born ——, 1691, about; see date of death and age at death; died at Yarmouth, March 26th, 1711, "in his 22nd year" and was buried there in Old Cemetery. He was a soldier or sailor in His Majesty's service. He was not married. His grave stone now reads that he died "March 26th, 1711, in his 2nd year," which is incorrect and due undoubtedly to the obliteration by time of the second 2, and originally read in his 22nd year. His father died in 1702 and even if he had been posthumous he would in 1711 have been more than 2 years old. He is always recorded as the oldest child of his parents, and as they were married February 25th, 1690-1, he was born probably in 1691 or 1692, which would make him in his 22nd year in 1711. In Vol. IX. of Acts and Resolves of Prov. of Mass., p. 213, we have as follows: "November 7th (1711-12). Resolve allowing £6 to Peter Thacher: Resolved that the sum of six pounds be allowed and paid out of the Public Treasury to Peter Thacher of Yarmouth, the petitioner, in full of his account for sickness and funeral charges of Anthony Thacher to whom he was guardian, and who died of sickness contracted in His Majesty's service." (Leg. Rec. of Council IX., p. 166, Mass. Archives LXXI., pp. 836-7-8.

+83 ii. Rebecca,[5] born ——; died ——; married John Paddock.

+84 iii. Mary,[5] born ——; died ——; married Joshua Sears.

+85 iv. Elisha,[5] born ——, 1698; died December 6th, 1774; married Phebe Lothrop.

+86 v. Josiah,[5] born July 7th, 1701; died August 22nd, 1780; married first Ann Burne; married second Mary (Greenleaf) Blinn.

Deacon Josiah,[4] Thacher died intestate and letters of administration were granted unto his widow, Mary, December 1st, 1702. As appears by his inventory, his house was located on the land of his father in Yarmouth. In the settlement of his estate his son, Anthony[5] Thacher, is mentioned as the oldest child. Barnabas Lothrop, Commissioner of Intestate Estates, settled the division of his property; giving to his wife one-third of personal and real estate for life; two (2) parts to eldest son, Anthony, and one (1) part each to Elisha, Josiah, Rebecca and Mary; widow's one-third of real estate to go at her death to chil-

dren of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher. There proved to be no real estate. Inventory taken September 7th, 1702, £113, 14s., 9d.

Close by the grave of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher in the Old Yarmouth Cemetery is foot-stone or marker inscribed "M. P.," which is undoubtedly the marker of the grave of Mary (Hedge)-Thacher-Paddock, who was buried by the side of her first husband; her second husband being buried in Dennis, by the side of his first wife.

Elisha Hedge (father of Mary (Hedge) Thacher) was a son of William Hedge, of Sandwich and Yarmouth, Mass., whose will was dated June 30th, 1670, and proved August 11th, 1670; in which will his son Elisha is mentioned. This William Hedge was a freeman of Lynn, Mass., May 14th, 1634; he removed to Sandwich and thence to Yarmouth and died in 1670; he married twice; his first wife's name is not known; his second wife was Blanche, widow of Tristram Hall.

There exists quite a remarkable genealogical coincidence between the record of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher and his nephew, Deacon Josiah[5] Thacher (Judah[4]). Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher died in 1702, and married Mary Hedge and was a deacon in the Yarmouth Church. Deacon Josiah[5] Thacher died in 1802 and married another Mary Hedge, and was also a deacon in the same church as was his uncle, Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher, one hundred years previous. This coincidence caused a perplexity among early genealogists, which has since been cleared up by the discovery of the fact of two Josiahs living at the two different periods above mentioned.

Mary (Hedge) Thacher, widow of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher, married a second time at Yarmouth, Mass., on July 29th, 1708, to Zachariah Paddock, as his second wife; he was a son of Zachary Paddock and Deborah (Sears) Paddock, of Yarmouth; he was born at Yarmouth, Mass., April 14th, 1664, and resided in Yarmouth in that part which is now called North Dennis; he was a deputy to the General Court at Plymouth from Yarmouth in 1709; he died at North Dennis, April 8th, 1717 (or 18) aged 54, and was buried in Dennis, Mass., near the meeting house by the side of his first wife, where a stone marks his grave. Zachary Paddock's first wife was Bethiah Hall, who died March 8th, 1708, aged 41 years.

Children 2 (Paddock) 1 son and 1 daughter, both born in Yarmouth. *Not in Thacher line.*

i. Hannah, born August ("the middle of"), 1709; died February 3rd, 1781; married February 23rd, 1728-9, to David Howes (son of Jonathan and Sarah (——) Howes). They lived at Dennis (then Yarmouth), Mass., and had 10 children, records of whose names and birth can be seen in *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. VI., p. 4.

ii. Anthony, born February 5th, 1710-11; died February 15th, 1731, in his 22nd year, drowned in Vineyard Sound,

"on that very cold day;" buried in Old Cemetery, Yarmouth; grave stone. He was not married.

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39. REBECCA[4] THACHER, (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, June 1st, 1669; baptized June 6th, 1669; died at Barnstable, Mass. (presumably), April 10th, 1734, aged 65, and was buried probably in Barnstable, Mass., in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery, although no stone marks her grave. She married, first, at Yarmouth (probably), date of marriage ——; to James Sturgis, born at Yarmouth, Mass., ——, 1668-9, about (see age at death and date of death); who resided at Yarmouth; he died at Yarmouth, January 3rd, 1717-18, in his 49th year, and was buried in Old Cemetery at Yarmouth, where a stone marks his grave. He was a son of Edward Sturgis (born April 10th, 1624; died December 8th, 1678), and of his wife, Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis, of Yarmouth, Mass. Rebecca[4] Thacher-Sturgis (widow of James Sturgis) married a second time at Yarmouth, Mass., on February 28th, 1720, probably, although authorities state the year was 1728 (see what follows here in regard to settlement of estate of James Sturgis) to Ebenezer Lewis, as his second wife (his first wife was Anna Lothrop, whom he married in 1691; and who died December 26th, 1715). He was born at Barnstable, Mass., December 20th, 1666; he lived at Barnstable and died there January 9th, 1759, aged 92 years, 7 months, 22 days. He was Judge of Court of Common Pleas and Town Treasurer of Barnstable from 1713 to 1741, and was one of the most active and intelligent business men of his time and a man of wealth. He was a son of Lieut. James and Sarah (Lane) Lewis of Barnstable, Mass.

Children 7 (8?) (Sturgis) 1 son and 6 (7?) daughters; all born at Yarmouth. No children by her second marriage to Ebenezer Lewis.

87 i. Rebecca,[5] born October 30th, 1690; died ——; as she is not mentioned in settlement of her father's estate, February 22nd, 1721-2; it is assumed that she died young, not married.

+88 ii. Hannah,[5] born March 3rd, 1693; died ——; married John Matthews.

+89 iii. Bethiah,[5] born February 19th, 1695-6; died July 11th, 1769; married, first, Captain Isaac Freeman; married, second, Captain Job Gorham.

90 iv. Temperance,[5] born July 31st, 1697; died ——; as she is not mentioned in the settlement of her father's estate, February 22nd, 1721-2, it is assumed that she died young, not married.

+91 v. Thankful,[5] born September 2nd, 1701; died January 10th, 1721-2, "in her 22nd year"; married Timothy Hallett, as his first wife; she died at birth of her first child, a daughter, who likewise died and was buried with her in Old Yarmouth Cemetery, where grave stone marks their grave. Timothy Hallett married twice again after her death.

+92 vi. Elizabeth,[5] born December ——, 1703; died June 6th, 1727; married Gershom Davis.

93 vii. James,[5] born October 13th, 1707; died January 8th, 1724, at Yarmouth, Mass., in his 17th year; he was drowned, and was buried in Old Cemetery at Yarmouth, grave stone. Not married.

94 viii. (?) Fear,[5] born ——; died ——; married —— Long. Hon. George Thacher in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*, is my only authority for recording this child and her marriage; he states that she had no children; beyond this statement I have never seen further record of her, nor is she mentioned in settlement of her father's estate. I doubt her ever having existed.

Edward Sturgis, Senior (son of Philip Sturgis, of Hannington, England), came to America about 1634 and settled in Scituate, Mass. He was in Charlestown, Mass., in 1634, and settled finally in Yarmouth, Mass., in 1639. His wife's name was Elizabeth ——, sometimes called Alice, probably through error. His son, Edward, Jr., married Temperance Gorham, daughter of Captain John Gorham, and his wife, Desire (Howland) Gorham. Desire Howland was a daughter of Captain John Howland and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland. Elizabeth Tilley was a daughter of John Tilley and his wife, Elizabeth —— ——. John Howland and his wife and John Tilley and his 2nd wife (not the mother of Elizabeth Tilley) were passengers on the first trip of the *Mayflower* in 1620. Temperance Gorham was born in Marshfield, Mass., May 5th, 1646. Edward Sturgis, Jr., died December 8th, 1678. Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis, widow of Edward Sturgis, Jr., married a second time at Yarmouth, Mass., January 27th, 1679, to Thomas Baxter, by whom she had 3 sons—John, Thomas and Shubael Baxter.

Children of Edward Sturgis, Jr., and Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis—6 (Sturgis), 4 sons and 2 daughters.

i. Joseph, born ——; died ——.
ii. Samuel, born —— 1665; died ——; married Mercy Howes.
iii. Desire, born ——, 1666; died March 29th, 1744; married first, Captain Thomas Dimmock; married, second, Col. John[4] Thacher, brother of Rebecca[4] Thacher.
iv. James, born ——, 1668-9; died January 3rd, 1717-18; married Rebecca[4] Thacher.
v. Edward, born ——, 1673; died ——; married Mehitable Hallet.
vi. Thankful, born ——, 1675; died May 1st, 1745; married Peter[4] Thacher (brother of Rebecca[4] Thacher).

The authorities consulted, such as *Freeman's Cape Cod* and *Otis' Barnstable Families*, do not mention the 6th child of Edward Sturgis, Jr., and Temperance Gorham, viz: Thankful Sturgis; but it is a Thacher family tradition of many years' standing and positively stated by Hon. George Thacher (died 1824, aged 70), in his well-known *Thacher Genealogy*, that she was a sister of James Sturgis, who married Rebecca[4] Thacher, and of Desire Sturgis, who married Col. John[4] Thacher; moreover, Peter[4] Thacher, in his will, mentions "Mother Baxter," which corroborates the family tradition; for if Thankful Sturgis was the daughter of Edward Sturgis, Jr., then the "mother Baxter" referred to in the will of Peter[4] Thacher would be his mother-in-law, Temperance (Gorham) Sturgis, who after the death of Edward Sturgis, Jr., (her first husband) married a second time to Thomas Baxter, and died March 12th, 1714-15. Such is my argument for including Thankful Sturgis among the children of Edward Sturgis, Jr.

The Sturgis house in Yarmouth was standing in 1905. The owner then told Mr. George Winslow Thacher, that she intended to pull it down. It was on the north side of the state road, about a quarter of a mile east of the road to South Dennis. From previous to 1860 to 1890 it was owned and occupied by Hannah Crowell.

The will of Edward Sturgis, Jr., was nuncupative or verbally dictated by him, and was communicated to the Court held at Plymouth, June 3rd, 1679. He gave to his wife one-third of his estate, and the other two-thirds to his children, giving to his son, Joseph, £20 more than to the others. To Mr. Thornton (the minister) 21s. and to Joseph Gorham £5 in silver; and to his daughter, Desire, his silver tankard "as a token of love." His will was witnessed by John Sunderland, Joseph Gorham and Elizabeth Sturgis (mother of the testator) before John Freeman, Assistant, the date being November 15th, 1678. It appears by well authenticated records that there were two committees appointed by the Probate Court at Barnstable under different dates to appraise and divide the estate. The first com-

mittee being comprised of Mr. Hinckley, Mr. Barnabas Laythrop and Mr. Miller. The second committee was comprised of Jeremiah Howes, John Miller, John Rider, John Rider, Senior, and Jonathan Hallett. The decree of the Court added to the widow's part "the negro towards bringing up of the children." Temperance Sturgis and her second husband, Thomas Baxter, giving security therefore and having "the improvements of the estate unto the children coming of age." The estate was valued at £900, a large one for those days. It was divided April 13th, 1694, among Joseph, Edward, James and Samuel Sturgis.

From Hinckley's MSS. copy of Barnstable Probate Book No. 4, pp. 233, 236, on file in N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc., Boston, Mass., we obtain "Administration of Estate of James Sturgis, late of Yarmouth," of which the following is a sufficient abstract for our purposes, viz:—"Whereas, James Sturgis, late of Yarmouth, died intestate, the personal estate being consumed by fire. In the hands of Rebecca Lewes, late wife of said deceased and administratrix to said Sturges estate, etc. I, therefore, settled said estate as follows:

"To pay James Sturges, the only son of the said deceased, the house lot containing about 4 acres, etc. Hannah Matthews and Bethiah Freeman, two of the eldest daughters of said deceased, having heretofore received £40 apiece; so that said James Sturges receives a double portion. He is to pay unto his youngest sister, Elizabeth Sturges, etc. He is to pay after his mother's death to Thankful Hallett, etc. And the above James Sturges, being a minor of about fifteen years of age, his guardian, Edward Sturges, of Yarmouth, hath given bonds for payment, etc. I do further order and reserve unto the said Rebecca Lewes, Administratrix aforesaid, her right of dower, or use of her thirds, etc.

"(sgd) John Otis."

"dated February 22nd, 1721-2."

The date of marriage of Rebecca[4] (Thacher) Sturgis to Ebenezer Lewis is given by some authorities as February 28, 1728. This year date is wrong as we see by above document that on February 22, 1721-2, she was then the wife of Ebenezer Lewes. The date, February 28, 1728, was probably February 28, 1720, a date entirely consistent with date of settlement of estate of James Sturges as well as with dates of death of James Sturges and Anna (Lothrop) Lewes. In transcribing the "0" was taken for an 8 probably.

"Yarmouth, Mass., March 14th, 1718. Town voted to give old meeting house to the widow, Rebecca Sturgis, in consideration of the loss of her home by fire, to be used towards the erection of another dwelling; only reserving the materials of which the pews were built for the owners thereof." See *Freeman's Cape Cod*, Vol. II, p. 211.

"On February 22nd, 1721, Captain John[4] Thacher, of Barnstable, Mass., was chosen and appointed guardian of Elizabeth[5] Sturgis, a minor, aged about 18 years.

"(sgd) John Otis."

(See Book 4, pp. 236-7, Hinckley MSS.)

Ebenezer Lewis, the second husband of Rebecca[4] (Thacher) Sturgis, was married, first, April ——, 1691, to Anna Lothrop (daughter of Barnabas Lothrop), by whom he had 11 children, 7 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass. The names of these children are here given with dates of birth, etc., on account of the numerous inter-marriages of this family with the Thacher family of the Cape. Anna Lothrop was born at Barnstable, Mass., August 10th, 1673; she died December 26th, 1715. Her mother's maiden name was Sarah Clarke. Both Ebenezer Lewis and his first wife, Annah (Lothrop) Lewis, are buried in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery, Barnstable, Mass., where stones mark their graves, thus inscribed:—

"In memory of Mr. Ebenezer Lewis, who deceased January ye 9th, 1759, aged 92 yrs., 7 mos., 22 da."

"Here lyes buried ye body of Mrs. Annah Lewis, wife to Lieut. Ebenezer Lewis, who died December 26th, 1715, in ye 42nd year of her age."

Children of Ebenezer Lewis and Annah (Lothrop) Lewis, all born in Barnstable, Mass.

i. Sarah, born January 13th, 1691-2; died March 21st, 1737-8; married June 17th, 1711, to Ebenezer Hinckley, as his first wife.

ii. Susannah, born April 17th, 1694; died October 4th, 1753; married July 24th, 1712, to James Allyn, of Barnstable.

iii. James, born August 4th, 1696; died ——; married, first, Rebecca Hatch, daughter of Moses Hatch and Elizabeth[4] Thacher (Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher), she died July 5th, 1740. He married, second, September 2nd, 1745, Dorcas Baker; she died July 5th, 1748; he married, third, on April 12th, 1750, to Joanna Howland. He finally became insane and was placed in hands of a guardian, May 13th, 1756.

iv. Ebenezer, born May 9th, 1699; died ——; married, November ——, 1736, Mary Coree, of Long Island.

v. Hannah, born February 14th, 1701; died ——.

vi. Lothrop, born June 13th, 1702; died ——, 1773; H. C. class 1723.

vii. George, born April 5th, 1704; died ——; married September 12th, 1727, to Sarah[5] Thacher, daughter of Peter[4] Thacher.

viii. Nathaniel, born January 12th, 1706-7; died July 7th, 1751; married February 19th, 1736, to Fear[5] Thacher, daughter of Col. John[4] Thacher.

ix. John, born July 15th, 1709; died ——; married July 21st, ——, to Thankful Crowell.
x. David, born November 8th, 1711; died ——.
xi. Abigail, born November 8th, 1711; died ——; married August 2nd, 1732, to Solomon Sturgis.

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40. BETHIAH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., July 10th, 1671; died at Barnstable, Mass., July 7th (or 8th), 1734; her will was dated September 4th, 1733, and proved July 31st, 1734; she was buried at Barnstable, Mass., in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery; she married at Yarmouth, Mass., (presumably) April 9th, 1691, to James Paine (son of Thomas Paine and Mary (Snow) Paine of Eastham, Mass.) He was born at Eastham, Mass., July 6th, 1665; died at Barnstable, November 12th, 1728, and was buried there in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery. He resided at Barnstable, Mass., in a house which stood on a lot where afterwards stood the house of Samuel Savage, afterwards John Gray's house. He was a school teacher, miller, cooper, soldier and clerk.

Children: 7 (Paine) 2 sons and 5 daughters, all born in Barnstable, Mass.

95 i. James,[5] born March 24th, 1691-2; baptized March 27th, 1692; died July 13th, 1711, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery, where a stone to his memory exists, thus inscribed: "Here lyes buried the body of James Paine, aged 20 years, died July ye 13th, 1711." He was not married.

+96 ii. Thomas,[5] born April 8th, 1694, baptized April 9th, 1694; died May 30th, 1757; married Eunice Treat.

97 iii. Bethiah, 1st,[5] born February 22nd, 1695-6; baptized February 23rd, 1695-6 (or March 8th, 1696);

CORRECTIONS:

Page 92, 25th line from top, and page 95, 21st line from top, "*Col.* John Gorham" should read "*Captain* John Gorham."

Page 85, 11th line from bottom, "Shutleff" should read "Shurtleff."

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died July 29th, 1697, at Barnstable, and was buried there.

+98 iv. Bethiah, 2nd,[5] born May 23rd, 1698, baptized May 29th, 1698; married Dr. Samuel Russell.

+99 v. Mary,[5] born August 13th, 1700; baptized August 18th, 1700; married first Nathaniel Freeman; married second Edmund Hawes.

+100 vi. Experience,[5] born March 17th, 1702-3; died June 17th, 1775; married Samuel Hunt.

101 vii. Rebecca,[5] born April 8th, 1705; died June 13th (or 30th), 1726, aged 21, at Barnstable, Mass., and was probably buried there. No grave stone. Not married.

James Paine, Senior, was admitted a freeman of Barnstable, May 29th, 1689. He was an enterprising and highly respected citizen. He was a school teacher, miller, cooper and a clerk. He served on the expedition against Canada in 1691 led by Sir William Phipps and also in Captain Gorham's company, and is mentioned as a clerk. For his services in Captain Gorham's Company his heirs in 1736 received a grant of land in Maine. He was of a literary turn of mind, and was a member of the 1st Church, Branstable, until the organization of the 2nd Church, when he was granted a letter of dismissal to the 2nd Church at his own request and he became a member thereof. He was the 1st clerk of the East Precinct or Parish of Barnstable and so served many years.

Mary Snow, mother of James Paine, Senior, was the daughter of Nicholas Snow and Constance (Hopkins) Snow. Nicholas Snow came over in the *Ann* in 1623 and married Constance (daughter of Stephen Hopkins, of the *Mayflower*), and settled in Eastham in 1645. He died in 1676. Thomas Paine, who married his daughter, was the founder of the Eastham branch of the Paine family, and he (Thomas Paine) died August 16th, 1706; his exact age is not known.

The following inscriptions are taken from stones in Lothrop's Hill Cemetery, Barnstable, Mass., viz:—

"Here lies buried Mrs. Bethiah Paine, wife of Mr. James Paine, deceased, and daughter of the late Honorable John Thacher. She died July ye 8th, (1734), *Aetatis* 63."

"Here is buried the body of James Paine, born July ye 6th, 1655, died November ye 12th, 1728, in hope of a Glorious Resurrection."

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41. Colonel John[4] Thacher (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., January 28th, 1674-5; died at Barnstable, Mass., March 26th, 1764, and was buried in Barnstable in Goodspeed's Hill, East Burying Ground, grave stone; he resided at Barnstable, Mass., in the East Parish; he was a soldier, Judge and Registrar of Deeds for Barnstable County. He married at Barnstable, November 10th, 1698, before his father, Hon. Col. John[3] Thacher, as civil magistrate to Desire (Sturgis) Dimmock (widow of Captain Thomas Dimmock). She was born at Yarmouth, Mass., date of birth ——, 1666; see age at death and date of death; died at Barnstable, Mass., March 29th, 1749, aged 83, and was buried probably at Barnstable, but no stone marks her grave. She was a daughter of Edward Sturgis (born April 10th, 1624; died December 8th, 1678), and his wife, Temperance (Gorham) Sturges, of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children 6 (Thacher) 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

+102 i. Abigail,[5] born November 2nd, 1699; died September 18th, 1768; married Joseph Hallett.

+103 ii. Elizabeth,[5] born June 17th, 1701; died September 14th, 1733; married Jonathan Davis.

+104 iii. John,[5] born June 25th, 1703; died September 13th, 1783; married Content Norton.

+105 iv. Lot,[5] born May 23rd, 1705; died December 15th (or 16th), 1732; married Rebecca Kean.

+106 v. Fear,[5] born March 28th, 1707; died November 14th, 1758; married Nathaniel Lewis.

+107 vi. Roland,[5] born August 28th, 1710; died February 18th, 1775; married Abigail Crocker.

Colonel John[4] Thacher was for about thirty (30) years Registrar of Deeds for the County of Barnstable, Mass. He was for many years Judge of the Court of Common Pleas ,and was Colonel of a Regiment. He was a selectman at Barnstable from 1716 for 8 years and from 1735 for 4 years. The following is the inscription on his tombstone in Goodspeed's Hill Burying Ground on the south side of the East Meeting House in Barnstable, viz:—

"Here lies interred ye body of ye Hon'bl John Thacher, Esq., who after a long life of usefulness and faithfulness in several military and civil offices, and of eminent exemplariness in ye religious Christian life, departed this mortal life in ye fear of Christ and his gospel and in ye hope of eternal life, March ye 26th, 1764, in ye 90th year of his age."

"Let me die the death of the righteous
and let my last days be like his."

Freeman's Cape Cod, Vol. II, p. 220, says that he died March 7th, 1764; and *Allen's Thacher Genealogy*, p. 37; says that he died

March 17th, 1764; and the *N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.*, Vol. XIV, p. 12, is given an abbreviated copy of his epitaph in which it is stated that he died March 17th, 1764. The above inscription was copied and sent to me by Stanley W. Smith, Esq., of Boston, Mass., an expert and reliable authority on grave yard inscriptions of Cape Cod. The will of Col. John[4] Thacher (see Barnstable Probate Records) mentions his daughter Abigail Hallett; children of my daughter, deceased as follows: To Elizabeth Penfield, * * *. To each of the others as they arrive at the age of 21 * * *. To the children of my granddaughter, Mary Lothrop, deceased * * *. To my son, Roland. To the children of my grandson, Lot Thacher, deceased, * * *. To my granddaughter-in-law, Martha Thacher, while she is Lot's widow * * *. Executor John[5] Thacher, Jr. Witnesses, Peter Thacher, Elizabeth Dimmock and Lydia Gorham. Dated March 27th, 1763. Letters testamentary granted April 20th, 1764.

Captain Thomas Dimmock, first, husband of Desire Sturgis, was born April ——, 1664, and died September 9th, 1697. He was killed in the Indian War. He lived at Barnstable, Mass., and had by Desire Sturgis the following children, all born in Barnstable, viz:—

i. Mehitable, born October ——, 1686; died May ——, 1775; aged 88; married Capt. John Davis.
ii. Temperance, born June ——, 1689; died ——; married Benjamin Freeman.
iii. Edward, born July 5, 1692; died ——; married Hannah ——.
iv. Thomas, born December 25, 1694; died ——; married ——.
v. Desire, born February ——, 1696; died January 28th, 1732-3; married Job Gorham.

All of the above children were baptized at Barnstable, March 26th, 1699.

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42. ELIZABETH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., June 19th, 1677; died at Falmouth, Mass. (presumably) May 18th, 1710, and was presumably buried there, the existence of her gravestone has never been discovered by me; married at Falmouth, Mass. (it is recorded there) by John Thacher, Justice of the Peace (her father) on October 18th, 1699, to Deacon Moses Hatch (as his second

wife). Elizabeth[4] (Thacher) Hatch was admitted to church at Barnstable, August 2nd, 1702, and was dismissed therefrom to church at Falmouth, October 10th, 1708. Deacon Moses Hatch was born at Falmouth, March 4th, 1662-3; he is said to have been the first white child born there; he was admitted to First Church at Barnstable, June 19th, 1698; and was dismissed to church at Falmouth, October 10th, 1708, in which latter church he was a first deacon; he was a farmer and a wealthy man of good business ability and a good citizen; he died at Falmouth, May 20th, 1747, in the 85th year of his age, and was buried there in the old burying ground. He was a son of Jonathan and Sarah (Rowley) Hatch, (Savage says Hannah Rowley, in which statement he is incorrect) who resided at Falmouth, Mass., having removed there from Barnstable.

Children: 5 (Hatch), 2 sons and 3 daughters; first child born at Yarmouth, rest born at Falmouth, Mass.

+108 i. Elizabeth,[5] born May 15th, 1701; died October 23rd (or 24th), 1744; married Timothy Hallett.

+109 ii. Moses,[5] born ——; died ——; married, first, Mary Lord; married second ——?

+110 iii. Rebecca,[5] born December 27th, 1703; baptized June 18th, 1704; died July 5th, 1740; married James Lewis.

111 iv. Hannah,[5] born May 27th, 1705; baptized October 14th, 1705; died ——.

112 v. Sylvanus,[5] born ——; died ——.

Deacon Moses Hatch gave to Falmouth the land on which the first church was built and which is now a public square ornamented with trees. He married, first, May 9th, 1686, Hepsiba Eddy, of Tisbury, Martha's Vineyard (said to be the younger sister of Elizabeth Eddy, second wife of his brother, Benjamin Hatch); and by her he had the following children (not in Thacher line):

i. Abiah, born February 1st, 1686-7; died February 13th, 1686-7; buried February 14th, 1686-7.

ii. M * * * (a son), born February 1st, 1686-7; died February 1st, 1686-7; buried February 2nd, 1686-7.

iii. Moses, born October 6th, 1688; died October 23rd, 1688.

iv. Hepsiba, born February 16th, 1690; died ——; married Benjamin Nye, of Falmouth.

A Moses Hatch married, about 1710-11, to Hannah, widow of Joshua Bangs, and a daughter of John Scudder, of Barnstable. This Hannah Scudder was baptized October 5th, 1651, and hence was 11 years older than Deacon Moses Hatch. Joshua Bangs died January 14th, 1709-10. Although she was so much older than Deacon Moses Hatch, yet the death of Elizabeth (Thacher) Hatch, his second wife, and the death of Joshua Bangs, Hannah Scudder's first husband, renders it possible that Deacon Moses Hatch had for a third wife Hannah (Scudder) Bangs. The Falmouth Rec-

ords state that " Hannah, wife of Captain Moses Hatch, died May 13th, 1739." If this was the above Hannah (Scudder) Bangs-Hatch, then Deacon Moses Hatch was styled Captain, as was also his son Moses. It is thought by Amos Otis, in his *Barnstable Families,* that the death record should read, "Mary, wife of Captain Moses Hatch, died May 13th, 1739;" the record, in his opinion, referring to Mary Lord, first wife of Captain Moses, son of Deacon Moses.

Deacon Moses Hatch's fourth and last wife's name was Patience ——.

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46. LYDIA[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., February 11th, 1684-5; admitted to First Church, Harwich, March 1st, 1723-4; died at Harwich, September 3rd, 1724, aged 39; buried at Brewster, Mass., gravestone; she married at Yarmouth (probably) October 13th, 1709, to Captain Joseph Freeman, as his first wife. He was born at Harwich, Mass., February 11th, 1682-3 (see Eastham and Orleans Vital Records); he resided at Harwich and was admitted to First Church, Brewster (then Harwich), April 22nd, 1733. He held rank successively as Ensign, Lieutenant and Captain in the Militia; he was a Selectman, Justice of the Peace and Representative to the General Court; he died at Harwich, March ——, 1756; will dated March 10th, 1756; he was probably buried at Harwich (now Brewster), but I have never seen record of his gravestone. Captain Joseph Freeman was a son of Deacon Thomas Freeman (born September ——, 1653; died February 9th, 1716, aged 62; married December 31st, 1673), and his wife, Rebecca (Sparrow) Freeman (born October 30th, 1655; died ——), daughter of Jonathan Sparrow and Rebecca (Bangs) Sparrow. Captain Joseph Freeman's parents lived at Harwich, Mass.

Children: 6 (Freeman), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Harwich, Mass.

+113 i. Thacher,[5] born December 3rd, 1710; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died August 15th, 1784; married Anna Gray.

114 ii. Elizabeth,[5] born December 14th, 1712; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——; married February 12th, 1754, Ebenezer Berry, of Rochester, Mass.

115 iii. Joseph,[5] born March 15th (or 25th), 1714-15; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4;

died ——, young; probably unmarried; he is not mentioned in his father's will.

+116 iv. Lydia,[5] born October 22nd, 1717; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——; married Nathaniel Clarke.

+117 v. Rebecca,[5] born March (or April) 23rd, 1720; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——; married Jonathan Hopkins.

118 vi. Thomas,[5] born March 23rd, 1721-2; baptized First Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——, young; probably unmarried; not mentioned in his father's will.

Captain Joseph Freeman married a second time, on September 9th, 1736, to Mary (Watson) Freeman (widow of Nathaniel Freeman, Esq., and daughter of Elkanah Watson, of Plymouth, Mass.), by whom he had one (1) daughter, Mary Freeman, who was baptized at Harwich, Mass., in 1744. Nathaniel Freeman, first husband of Mary Watson, was born March 17th, 1682-3, and died August 2nd, 1735; he married Mary Watson, October 24th, 1706; his will was dated August 1st, 1735. Captain Joseph Freeman mentions in his will "his grand daughter, Anne Freeman" (doubtless daughter of his son Thacher); "his daughters, Elizabeth Berry, Lydia Clarke, Rebecca Hopkins, and son Thacher." Mary Watson, his second wife, was born in October ——, 1688; and was received into church at Brewster in 1724.

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47. MARY[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., February 5th, 1686-7 (or March 6th, 1686-7, according to Richard Henry Greene, Historian General of the Mayflower Society, who is the only authority I know of who so gives it); died at Barnstable, Mass., June 28th, 1778, in the 92nd year of her age, and was buried in Barnstable, Mass., in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying Ground, where a gravestone marks her grave thus inscribed: "Here lies buried Mrs. Mary Gorham, relict widow of the Honorable Shubael Gorham, Esq., deceased, who died June 28th, 1778, in ye 92nd year of her age." She married at Yarmouth, December 23rd, 1708, Colonel Shubael Gorham. He was born at Barnstable, Mass., September 2nd, 1686, and lived at Barnstable; he was a soldier and man of public affairs; he died at Louisburg, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, February 20th, 1745-6, and was buried there, probably, as no stone marks his grave

in Barnstable. He was the son of Lieut. Col. John Gorham (born at Marshfield, Mass., February 20th, 1651-2; died November 11th (or December 9th), 1716; married February 24th, 1674-5), and of Mary (Otis) Gorham, his wife, who was baptized March 14th, 1654; died April 1st, 1733; she was the daughter of John Otis. Col. Shubael Gorham's parents lived in Barnstable.

Children: 10 (Gorham), 6 sons and 4 daughters, all born in Barnstable.

+119 i. John,[5] born December 12th, 1709; died ——, 1750-1, about; married Elizabeth Allyn.

+120 ii. David,[5] born April 6th, 1712; died January 2nd, 1786; married first Abigail Sturgis; married second Elizabeth Stevens; married third Hannah Davis.

+121 iii. Mary,[5] born February 7th, 1714; died ——; married Stephen Clap.

122 iv. William,[5] born May 6th, 1716; died ——, after 1746.

+123 v. Lydia,[5] born June 28th, 1718; died November 9th, 1740; married Dr. James Hersey.

124 vi. Hannah, 1st,[5] born May 22nd, 1720; died ——, young; buried at Barnstable, Mass.; not married.

+125 vii. Hannah, 2nd,[5] born May 1st, 1721; died ——; married Edward Crosby.

126 viii. Shubael,[5] born June 27th, 1723; died ——, 1748, aged 25; buried at Barnstable, Mass.; not married.

+127 ix. Joseph,[5] born May 29th, 1725; died ——; married Ann Spry.

+128 x. Benjamin, born June 5th, 1726; died ——; married first Nancy Hinckley; married second Ellen Rankin.

"Colonel Shubael Gorham took an active part in obtaining the grants made by the Legislature of Massachusetts, to the officers and soldiers actively engaged in King Philip's War; and was chairman of the Committee for Narragansett No. 7 (now Gorham, Maine), which township was granted to the officers and soldiers in the company under command of Captain John Gorham. He was Colonel of the 7th Massachusetts Regiment in the Louisburg expedition, his commission being dated February 20th, 1744; and he was also captain of the 1st Company of that Regiment; he died at Louisburg, February 20th, 1745-6. The fortress of Louisburg, which was built by the French, was captured by the English and Colonial forces, June 17th, 1745. The preparations for the war were made in New England during the previous winter. General Sir Wm. Pepperell was in command; Admiral Sir Peter Warren commanded the fleet. There were two brigadier generals, Samuel

Waldo and Joseph Dwight. It was usual then for general officers to command regiments and for field officers to command companies. General Pepperell commanded the 1st Regiment of Mass. Colony; Waldo the 2nd; Jeremiah Moulton the 3rd; Samuel Willard the 4th; Robert Hall the 5th; Sylvester Richmond the 6th; and Shubael Gorham the 7th and he was Captain of the 1st Company thereof, with John Gorham (his son) as Lieutenant Colonel and Captain of the 2nd Company. This last regiment (the 7th) was posted at Light House Point."

"Colonel Shubael Gorham was a man of enterprise and one who persevered in whatever he undertook until he failed or succeeded; his name frequently appears in the parish, town and state records, showing that he was a man esteemed by those who knew him. The great act of his life, that for which he will be ever remembered, was the active and efficient part he took in obtaining the grants made by the Legislature of Massachusetts to the officers and soldiers of the Narragansett or King Philip's War, or to their legal representatives. The earliest grant made to the Narragansett soldiers is dated May 27th, 1685, of a township 8 miles square in the Nipmay Country. This grant was made to persons residing in Lynn, Reading, Beverly and Hingham. Mr. Josiah Pierce, the Historian of Gorham, Maine, thinks that this grant was never located."

"December 14th, 1727, two tracts of land, six miles square, were granted, and April 26th, 1733, this grant was enlarged, giving a township equal to six (6) miles square to each 120 persons whose claims should be established within four (4) months. It was found that the whole number was 840. Seven (7) townships were granted in the province of Maine, called Narragansett townships Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The last township, No. 7, was assigned to the officers and men who served under Captain John Gorham and to a few additional ones; and it was afterwards incorporated as the town of Gorham, but was generally known as 'Gorhamtown.' By an order in Council, dated February 2nd, 1736, Shubael Gorham, Esq., was empowered to assemble the grantees of this township. In this order occurs a curious mistake. It is therein stated that the grant was made to the soldiers under the command of Captain John Gorham in the Canada Expedition in 1690. Captain Gorham, of the Canada Expedition, was the father of Colonel Shubael Gorham; the grant was made to the officers and soldiers who served under his grandfather, Captain John Gorham, in the Narragansett War. By an order dated July 5th, 1736, this mistake was corrected:

"Col. Shubael Gorham was the chairman of the Committee for Narragansett No. 7, and was the efficient man in effecting its settlement. He spent much time and money in this enterprise, and bought the shares of many who did not desire to emigrate; and his speculation in wild lands proved unfortunate. He died insolvent in 1746; his own children being his principal creditors. He had no

estate to dispose of at his death. James Lowell, Jr., was appointed August 16th, 1746, to administer his estate. The inventory is dated December 11th, 1746, and his personal estate was appraised in Old Tenor at £479, 18sh, 6d, and his Real Estate at £2,365. Total, £2,844, 18sh, 6d. He had 55 ounces, 17 pennyweights and 12 grains of silver plate valued at £99; 15sh, 0d; a part of which was marked with the arms of the Gorham family and has been preserved by the descendants of his son John. As before stated, members of his family were his principal creditors."

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48. DESIRE[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., December 24th, 1688, died at Yarmouth, May 6th, 1722 (Sabbath morning), buried at Yarmouth in old burying ground, gravestone. "Desire, wife of Ensign Josiah Crocker, died May 6th, 1722, in her 34th year." She married at Yarmouth (presumably) April 10th, 1717 (or 1718), to Captain Josiah Crocker, born at Barnstable, Mass., February 8th, 1684. He resided at Barnstable, Mass.; he was a sea captain and an Ensign in the Military Service. He died at Nauset, according to the Records, or at Annapolis *Rial,* St. Mary's Harbor, on October 10th, 1721, aged 37. He is supposed to be buried at Annapolis Royal, but a stone to his memory is erected in Old Burying Ground at Yarmouth thus inscribed: "Ensign Josiah Crocker died at sea October 10th, 1721, and was buried at Port Royal" (on gravestone of his wife). He was a son of Josiah Crocker (born September 19th, 1647; died February 2nd, 1699; married October 23rd, 1668), and Meletiah Hinckley (born ——, 1648-9; died February 2nd, 1714–15, daughter of Gov. Thomas Hinckley) who resided at Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 2 (Crocker) 1 son and 1 daughter, both born in Barnstable, Mass.

+129 i. Josiah,[5] born October 30th, 1719; died August 28th, 1774; married first Rebecca Allyn; married second Hannah Cobb.

130 ii. Desire,[5] born December 17th, 1721, (posthumous); she was baptized the following Sabbath; died ——. I have been unable to find further record of this child and conclude that she must have died young or unmarried, without issue.

Captain Josiah Crocker was a sea captain and while on a voyage to Nova Scotia he was betrayed out of his course by an Irishman

who pretended to be a pilot. He and all of the crew were sick at the time. He died on board his own vessel at St. Mary's Harbor, Annapolis *Rial,* October 10th, 1721, and was buried at Port Royal, October 14th, 1721, age 37.

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49. HANNAH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., October 9th, 1690 (or 1689); died at Colchester, Conn., May 6th, 1780, aged 90, "in her 91st year;" buried in old burying ground, Colchester, Conn., gravestone. She was married at Yarmouth, Mass. (presumably, although we have no record thereof); date of marriage —— (probably in 1715-16) to Nathaniel Otis. He was born at Marshfield, Mass., January 31st, 1689-90; died at Colchester, Conn., April 15th, 1771, in his 82nd year, and was buried in old burying ground in Colchester, where gravestone marks his grave. He held many town offices in Colchester and was an Ensign in the Military Service. He was a son of Joseph Otis (baptized at Hingham, Mass., June 3rd, 1666; died at New London, Conn., June 11th, 1754; married November 20th, 1688), and his wife, Dorothy (Thomas) Otis (born November 6, 1670; died February 18th, 1755), daughter of Nathaniel Thomas and Deborah (Jacobs) Thomas, of Marshfield, Mass. Nathaniel Otis' parents lived at Scituate, Mass., and New London, Conn.

Children: 8 (Otis), 2 sons and 6 daughters.

+131 i. Lydia,[5] born January 20th, 1716-17; died January 1st, 1807, aged 91; married Abner Kellogg.

+132 ii. Hannah,[5] born February 29th, 1717-18; died June 12th, 1752; married Benajah McCall.

+133 iii. Dorothy,[5] born April 16th, 1721; died ——; married first Asahel Bigelow; married second Isaac Day; married third Joseph Langwill.

+134 iv. Desire,[5] born May 20th, 1723; died ——; married Ichabod Bartlett.

135 v. Nathaniel,[5] born August 20th, 1725; died January 24th, 1740-1, at Montville, Conn.; buried in Colchester, Conn., in old burying ground, gravestone; not married.

+136 vi. John,[5] born April 1st, 1728; died October 24th, 1804; married Prudence Taintor.

137 vii. Delight,[5] born March 16th (or 23rd), 1730-31; died July 20th, 1740, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there in old burying ground, gravestone; not married.

+138 viii. Mercy,[5] born July 2nd (or 3rd), 1734; died ——; married Nathaniel Bartlett.

"Nathaniel Otis, Senior, removed from Scituate, Mass., to New London, Conn., about 1721, probably in company with his father, Josepph Otis; he was received into communion with the church in New London, together with his wife, November 29th, 1722. He was appointed January 22nd, 1721-2, on a committee to act in the prudential affairs of the parish and was chosen clerk of the parish January 31st, 1722-3, and also in 1723-4. At about this latter date he removed and settled about 8 miles from New London, on the old county road, in the town of Colchester. He settled on lands which his father purchased from Captain Samuel Gilbert. The deed for these lands was witnessed by Michael Taintor and James Otis; and for the sum of £770, lawful currency of New England, gives 280 acres of land and appurtenances; deed dated 1724, and was for land lying on the old county road in the town of Colchester. Joseph Otis, the grantee, is described in the deed as then of Scituate, Mass. This land Joseph Otis deeds to his son Nathaniel in 1735-6, 'for and in consideration of love, goodwill and affection which I have and do bear unto my beloved son ——, and is the whole of what I design my said son shall have of my estate.'" The house erected on this land by Nathaniel Otis has been in the possession of five (5) successive generations of his family.

On May 29th, 1736, Nathaniel Otis was commissioned by Governor Talcott a Cornet of the troop of the County of Hartford; he also held numerous offices in the gift of the town of Colchester. He was one of the seven members of the Second Congregational Church, which was deeded to the North Parish in trust in 1721-2. He signed as trustee for the parish in the deed of transfer. He was present at the installment of Mr. Hillhouse, October 3rd, 1722, who was the first minister of the church. The meeting house was raised July 11th, 1723. Joseph Otis, his father, was one of the four original pew holders and was a deacon in the church.

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51. HON. JUDAH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., August 20th, 1693; died at Yarmouth, January 8th, 1775, "in his 82nd year;" buried at Yarmouth in old burying ground, gravestone. He resided at Yarmouth, where he was a prominent merchant; he was a Representative to the General Court in 1737, a selectman from 1737 for 5 years, town treasurer from 1737 for 12 years,

town clerk from 1740 for 8 years. He married at Yarmouth, June 4th, 1724, to Sarah Crosby, born at Yarmouth, February 4th, 1701-2; died at Yarmouth, October 20th, 1771, aged 69, "in her 70th year," and was buried in old burying ground, Yarmouth, gravestone. She was a daughter of Joseph and Mehitable (Miller) Crosby, of Yarmouth, Mass., who were married at Yarmouth, February 16th, 1692-3.

Children: 9 (Thacher), 7 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

139 i. A daughter,[5] born March 27th, 1725; died March 27th, 1725; buried at Yarmouth, Mass.

+140 ii. Joseph,[5] born September 10th, 1726; died December 24th, 1771; married Abigail Hawes.

141 iii. David, 1st,[5] born May 30th, 1728; died July 29th, 1729; buried at Yarmouth.

+142 iv. David, 2nd,[5] born March 14th, 1730; died November 9th, 1801; married Abigail Russell.

+143 v. Josiah,[5] born February 2nd, 1732; died January 19th, 1802; married first Desire Crowell; married second Mary (Miller) Hedge, widow of Deacon Isaac Hedge.

144 vi. Judah,[5] born January 29th, 1734; died ——; at Halifax, N. S.; not married.

+145 vii. Sarah,[5] born August 17th, 1737; died ——; married first Prince Hawes; married second Thomas Palmer.

+146 viii. John,[5] born August 25th, 1739; died August 12th, 1799; married Hannah Matthews.

+147 ix. William,[5] born March 30th, 1743; died May 24th, 1829; married Thankful Hedge.

Judah[4] Thacher's will was dated August 7th, 1773, and proved February 10th, 1775, and is filed in the Probate Court at Barnstable, Mass. In it he mentions his two (2) grandsons, Solomon and Peleg, giving them "the land on which the house is and southerly up to the pond, equally between them." To my other grandsons, Ebenezer, Isaac, Joseph, Daniel, Barnabas and Ezekiel, 20 shillings apiece. To my grandson, Job Palmer, 20 shillings. To my granddaughters, Lydia, Sarah, Temperance, 20 shillings apiece. To Anna Hawes, 20 shillings. To John Thacher the land on which his house now stands adjoining the highway. To my son, William Thacher, my now dwelling house. To my four (4) sons, David, Josiah, John and William. He speaks of his dock, which he requests that they would not sell to a stranger until they had offered it to each other. David and Josiah, executors. Witnesses, Richard Taylor, Joyce Taylor and Desire Rawson.

The house mentioned in the first item is the one which was occupied in the latter part of the 19th century by Phebe Lewis, to the south of the first triangular common on Strawberry Lane in Yarmouth Port. The pond is Miller's Pond. John Thacher's house

stood where subsequently stood the house occupied by Isaac Taylor and owned in 1907 by Thomas Chandler Thacher on the corner of Strawberry Lane and the highway. The dock mentioned was later known as Curtis Dock, on the farm of Mrs. James G. Hallett. The cutting in the swamp is now barely navigable, but two or three stumps of the piles of the old dock still exist.

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53. ANN[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., May 7th, 1697; died at ——, March 13th, 1756. She married at ——, May 31st, 1722, to John Lothrop, born at Barnstable, Mass., October 3rd, 1699; died at Tolland, Conn., October 17th, 1752, and was buried at Tolland, Conn. He was a son of Hope Lothrop (born at Barnstable, Mass., July 15th, 1671; died October 29th, 1734 (or 1736); married December 17th, 1696), and Elizabeth (Lothrop) Lothrop, daughter of Meletiah and Sarah (Farrar) Lothrop. John Lothrop's parents lived in Barnstable and Falmouth, Mass., and in Tolland, Conn., and possibly in Sharon, Conn.

Children: 8 (Lothrop), 4 sons and 4 daughters.

+148 i. David,[5] born October ——, 1723; died October 2nd, 1787; married Clarinda Delano.

149 ii. Hannah,[5] born July 5, 1725; died ——; nothing further known of her.

+150 iii. Jonathan,[5] born September 18th, 1727; died ——; married Rachel Ladd.

151 iv. Anna,[5] born March 10th, 1730; died ——; nothing further known of her.

+152 v. John,[5] born May 6th, 1732; died March 24th, 1812; married Lucy Gray.

+153 vi. Thacher,[5] born January 26th, 1734; died December 30th, 1806; married Submit Loomis.

154 vii. Lydia,[5] born June 21st, 1736; died ——; nothing further known of her.

+155 viii. Elizabeth,[5] born April 22nd, 1740; died ——; married Solomon Wills.

"John Lothrop purchased 120 acres of land in Tolland, Conn., June 4th, 1726; and in the deed is said to be 'now resident of Tolland.' He had come, so Waldo says, from Falmouth, Mass. He stood among the first men in Tolland as is evident from the offices he held; he was a Selectman five years, a Justice of the Peace, a Deputy to the Connecticut Assembly five sessions, 1748-1751; he was Town Clerk of Tolland in 1722. He died October 17th, 1752, and we have the following strangely incomplete record, 'Mrs. Ann

Lothrop died,' which, though imperfect, preserves for us at least the Christian name of John Lothrop's wife." John Lothrop lived in Barnstable and Falmouth, Mass., before settling in Tolland, Conn.

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54. COLONEL JOSEPH[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., July 11th, 1699; died at Yarmouth, June 17th, 1763; buried at Yarmouth in old cemetery, gravestone; he resided at Yarmouth and was a Colonel in the military service, a representative to the General Court from 1748 for three years, and a Selectman, 1750, for three years, in Yarmouth, where he was "a highly influential citizen." He married at Yarmouth (probably) February 24th, 1727-8, to Ruth Hawes, who was born at Monomoy, February 3rd, 1708-9, died at Yarmouth, Mass., May 3rd, 1772, aged 62, "in her 62nd year," and was buried in Old Cemetery in Yarmouth, where a gravestone marks her resting place. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Hawes (died at Yarmouth, October 7th, 1727, aged 50, gravestone, Old Cemetery) and Sarah (——) Hawes (died at Yarmouth, January 9th, 1741, aged 65, gravestone, Old Cemetery), who resided at Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 5 (Thacher), 2 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

156 i. Desire, 1st,[5] born April 7th, 1729; died April 27th, 1729, aged 20 days, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; inscription found on page 33 of Yarmouth, Mass., burying ground inscriptions says that she died in 1722, but the transcription must have been incorrectly interpreted, owing to obliteration, as her parents were not married until 1727-8.

+157 ii. Desire, 2nd,[5] born July 5th, 1730; died ——, 1816; married Grindal Rawson.

+158 iii. Ebenezer,[5] born February 17th, 1733; died ——.

+159 iv. Ruth,[5] born September 11th, 1736; died ——; married first Ezekiel Webb; married second Seth Whelden.

+160 v. Joseph,[5] born May 19th, 1744; died ——, 1790; married Susannah Whelden.

Colonel Joseph[4] Thacher was a popular character. Through his influence principally a company of forty (40), thirteen (13) of whom were Indians, was raised, all except six or eight being from Yarmouth, his native town, to go on the Cape Breton Ex-

pedition in 1745. A condition of their embarking on this bold enterprise was that Joseph[4] Thacher should be their Captain. It is remarkable that of the Indians only three lived to return, two having been killed by the enemy and eight dying probably in consequence of a mode of living to which they had not been accustomed. The rest of the company, though exposed to great hardships, were providentially all spared to see their native place again and to participate with their fellow countrymen in the joy which pervaded the land over the reduction of Louisburg, the strongest fortress in America at that time. The following anecdote illustrates the unfeeling cruelity of the American savage of that period. Through the treacherous conduct of a certain Frenchman, a party of twenty provincial soldiers had been ambuscaded, nineteen of whom were killed. The Frenchman was captured and at first was given up to the Indians to be killed by them as they might see proper. Isaac Peck, a blood-thirsty Indian, began immediately to sharpen his knife; and thinking it too easy for a traitor to die at once, said that he was going to begin at his fingers and was going to cut off one joint at a time and then another and so on till he had separated all of his bones from head to foot. He would probably have carried out his intent had not the criminal been rescued from his hands. One of Thacher's Indians, hired by Colonel Vaughan for a bottle of brandy, was the first of the provincials to enter the grand battery of Louisburg. He crawled through an embrasure and opened the gate through which Vaughan and his troops entered. The enemy at the time had withdrawn from the battery, though this fact was not known to the Indian at the time.

From *Alden's Epitaphs,* Vol. I, pp. 123-4, we obtain the following:

"Colonel Joseph Thacher, who departed this life June 17th, 1763, in the 64th year of his age.

"All you that pass by pray think on me.
Think, I was once in the world like thee,
But now lie mouldering in the dust
In hopes to rise among the just."

Colonel Joseph Thacher's home was a fine house near the old church. The above narrative concerning him and his Indians was taken from the *New England Magazine* for July 1834, written by Dr. James Thacher, who in turn took it from *Alden's Epitaphs,* Vol. I, pp. 123-4. Colonel Joseph Thacher's will was dated November 4th, 1762, and was proved July 7th, 1763. He mentions "To Ruth, my wife * * * to Joseph Thacher, my gun and sword and £10 to be paid him when he is 21 by his mother * * *. To my daughter Desire Rawson * * *; and my daughter Ruth Webb. Witnesses, Seth Whelden, Simeon Taylor and Joseph Staple.

David[5] Thacher (No. 142, Hon. Judah[4] Thacher) was on January 12th, 1769, appointed guardian of Ruth (Hawes) Thacher, widow of Col. Joseph[4] Thacher, who was *non compos mentis.* There are in the records about 250 items concerning this guardianship

some of which entries are very interesting, showing something of the manner of living at that time. In the settlement of her (Ruth (Hawes) Thacher's) affairs Joseph Thacher of Yarmouth is mentioned as her only son, the daughters mentioned are Desire, wife of Grindal Rawson, and Ruth, wife of Seth Whelden, Jr. The settlement was made October 8th, 1772.

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55. BENJAMIN[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., June (or July), 25th, 1701 (or 1702); he resided at Yarmouth, Barnstable and Harwich, Mass., and was at one time a sea-faring man and became subsequently a tavern-keeper; he died at Harwich, Mass., date of death ——, 1768; his will was dated April 16th, 1767, and was proved August 9th, 1768. He was married at Barnstable, Mass., by Rev. Mr. Green on January 30th, 1734, to Hannah Lumbert of Barnstable, Mass., who was born at Barnstable, September 8th, 1714. She was a daughter of Benjamin Lumbert (or Lombard) of Barnstable, and his wife —— Treddeway (or Treadwell).

Children: 11 (Thacher), 4 sons and 7 daughters, all of whom except No. 1, were baptized at First Parish Church, Harwich, Mass.

+161 i. Benjamin,[5] born February 11th, 1739; died ——, 1775; married Desire Freeman.

162 ii. Hannah,[5] born ——, 1739; baptized First Parish Church, Harwich, Mass., November 25th, 1739; died April 8th, 1813, aged 73 years, at Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., and was probably buried there; not married.

+163 iii. Sarah,[5] born December 1st, 1741; died October 3rd, 1777; married Isaac Foster.

164 iv. Lydia, 1st,[5] born May 9th, 1743; baptized First Parish Church, Harwich, Mass., May 15th, 1743; died May 30th, 1743; died in infancy; no issue.

+165 v. Lydia, 2nd,[5] born September 10th, 1744; died September 5th, 1825; married Samuel Foster.

166 vi. Jonathan, 1st,[5] born April 18th, 1746; baptized at First Parish Church, Harwich, Mass., April 27th, 1746; died June ——, 1746, at Harwich, Mass., and buried there; no issue.

+167 vii. Jane,[5] born July 30th, 1747; died December 25th, 1833; married Shubael Cook.

168 viii. Jonathan, 2nd,[5] born January 22nd, 1748-9; baptized January 29th, 1748-9 at First Parish Church,

Harwich, Mass.; nothing further known of him.

169 ix. Temperance, 1st,[5] born April 9th, 1750; baptized April 15th, 1750, at First Parish Church, Harwich, Mass.; died ——, previous to July 27th, 1754 (see date of birth of Temperance 2nd[5].

+170 x. Samuel,[5] born January 17th, 1752; died December 23rd, 1793; married Lucy Fessenden.

+171 xi. Temperance, 2nd,[5] born July 27th, 1754; died ——; married William Ward.

Benjamin[4] Thacher lived at one time in Barnstable, Mass., in the lane above Charles Bursley's. In his will, dated April 16th, 1767, and proved August 9th, 1768, he appoints his wife, Hannah, executrix, and mentions three sons, Jonathan, Samuel and Benjamin, and daughters Hannah, Jane and Temperance Thacher and Lydia Foster. Witnesses, Chillingworth Foster, Benjamin Freeman and William Fessenden.

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56. MERCY[4] THACHER (Hon. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., February 7th, 1702-3; died at ——; date of death——; married at ——; date of marriage ——, 1738 ("in her 36th year"), to James Harris (as his second wife). He was born at Mohegan, New London Co., Conn. (or at Colchester, Conn.), January 26th, 1699; he resided at Saybrook, Conn., where he was a merchant; he died at ——; date of death ——. He was a son of Lieut. James Harris (born April 4, 1673; died February 10th, 1757; married ——, 1696), and his wife, Sarah (Rogers) Harris (born New London, Conn., August 9th, 1676; died November 13th, 1748, age 72). Lieut. James Harris lived successively at Boston, Mass., Mohegan and Colchester, Conn.

Child: (Harris), 1 daughter.

172 i. Ann Mercy,[5] born July 14th, 1746; died May ——, 1764, aged 18 years; not married.

James Harris was the eldest son of Lieut. James Harris and he was the celebrated Saybrook merchant. He removed with his parents to Colchester, Conn. (Salem parish) in 1718, and was made a freeman there in 1722. He was Lister in 1726 and Surveyor in 1727. On February 14th, 1728, he bought land in Saybrook, Conn., and removed to that place the spring following and built a store upon what was still in 1878 called Harris' Wharf, and there he became widely known as a very extensive and successful merchant

having a large export and import trade with France and the West and East Indies. He was admitted to the church in Saybrook in 1736 and his wife, Mercy, was admitted by letter in 1741. In 1744 he sold his real estate in Saybrook and removed to Mohegan, North Parish, New London Co., Conn., where he and his wife joined the church by letter. In 1747 he was living in New London and in 1748 he re-purchased his old property in Saybrook and returned there and there remained until his death, the date of which is unknown. The story of his one child, Ann Mercy Harris, is a sad one. Sole heiress of a princely fortune, of great personal beauty and loveliness of character, at the age of 18 her parents decided to send her abroad for a couple of years for higher instruction in England and for travel in Europe for the advantages of foreign and social cultivation. On the eve of her departure she was inoculated in order to guard against the danger of small-pox, then the dread of foreign travelers. The virus proved fatal and she died after a few days of extreme suffering in the pest house of Saybrook. This sudden and tragic blow fell with crushing weight upon her parents and cast a gloom over the wide region throughout which she was known and beloved.

Prof. T. A. Thacher, of Yale College, in a letter dated March 1st, 1882, to Hon. Peter Thacher, of Newton, Mass., says:

"Some weeks ago some one left at my door for me a copy of a writing by Mercy Thacher, grand-daughter of Antony Thacher and daughter of the second wife of John Thacher who was born after the wreck off Cape Ann. She, Mercy Thacher, gives a full list of her 20 brothers and sisters (*vide Allen's Thacher Genealogy*, pp. 34-35), with day and hour of birth; tells how she was married in her 36th year in 1738 (not 1724, as Allen states); how her only daughter was born in 1746 and in 1763 by a 'stratagem of Satan' was taken to Gull Island to be inoculated for the small pox to enrich the doctors and died there. How she finished reading the Bible through the 22nd time, and there had her daughter read it with her in course, till the whirlwind of Satan came over them after the 5th reading. She tried to continue the reading afterwards but Christ's enemies came again in 1770 like bees and she could read no more in course. Her last entry is dated 1772."

James Harris' first wife was Ann Gilbert, who must have died about 1737-8. She was a daughter of Captain Samuel Gilbert and his wife, Mary Rogers. James Harris had no children by his first wife. Captain Samuel Gilbert was born in 1663 and died August 5th, 1733; he married, October 2nd, 1684. He was a son of Jonathan and Mary (Wells) Gilbert. His wife, Mary Rogers, was born April 17th, 1667, at New London, Conn., and died September 30th, 1756, at Salem, Conn. Captain Samuel Gilbert was a cornet in the Pequot War under Major John Mason, an ensign in train band at Hartford, Conn., July, 1678. He was one of the patentees of Colchester, Conn., in 1707. He commanded a company on the Expedition against Canada in 1711. He was Marshall

of Connecticut Colony. His father was one of the first proprietors of Hartford, Conn.

Amos Otis, in his *Barnstable Families*, incorrectly states that this Mercy[4] Thacher married Joshua Sears, and S. P. May's *Sears' Genealogy* makes the same error. Joshua Sears in reality married Mary[5] Thacher, daughter of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher, of Yarmouth, by his wife, Mary (Hedge) Thacher.

The place and exact date of marriage of Mercy[4] Thacher to James Harris has never been discovered. It has seemed likely to me that it probably occurred at Colchester, Conn., as Mercy[4] Thacher's sister, Hannah[4] Thacher, was in 1738 living in Colchester, Conn., as the wife of Nathaniel Otis and it is not unlikely that Mercy[4] Thacher was at the time of her marriage in 1738 visiting her sister in Colchester, where her husband, James Harris, was then a resident.

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57. THOMAS[4] THACHER (Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., April 2nd, 1705; he was a mariner and resided at Yarmouth, Mass.; he died at Annapolis (Nova Scotia, probably), on December 20th, 1746, and was probably buried there, as there is no gravestone to his memory in the Yarmouth cemetery. He was married at ——, February ——, 1730-1 (or July 11th, 1730, according to *Baxter Genealogy*, p. 35), to Thankful Baxter, of Barnstable, Mass. She was born at Barnstable, Mass., July 29th, 1711-12, and died at Barnstable, Mass., April 9th, 1786, and was buried probably there in Lothrop's Hill Burying Ground; no gravestone. She was a daughter of Shubael Baxter by his wife, the widow Elizabeth Downs, who resided at Barnstable, Mass. Shubael Baxter died April 12th, 1741, and his widow died April 17th, 1746.

Children: 4 (Thacher), 1 son and 3 daughters, all probably born at Yarmouth.

173 i. Lydia,[5] born August 31st, 1736; died September 10th, 1736, aged 10 days; buried at Yarmouth, Mass., Old Cemetery; gravestone; no issue.

174 ii. Thomas,[5] born August 13th (or 30th), 1740; died ——; beyond the record of his birth I have been unable to find any further record of this child and conclude he must have died young or unmarried, without issue.

+175 iii. Elizabeth,[5] born March 28th, 1741-2; died December 23rd, 1768; married Thomas Palmer.

+176 iv. Thankful,[5] born November 8th, 1744; died ——; married Zacheus (or Zachariah) Allen.

Administration on the estate of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth, mariner, was granted unto his widow, Thankful, on March 24th, 1746. Inventory was taken May 13th, 1747, by Jonathan Hallett, John Miller and Peter Thacher, all of Yarmouth, yeomen.

Thankful Baxter-Thacher, widow of Thomas[4] Thacher, married, second time, at Yarmouth, Mass., probably (intention was published at Barnstable, January 28th, 1747-8) on January 28th, 1747-8, to Captain Samuel (or Lemuel) Lumbert as his second wife. He was born at Barnstable, September 15th, 1691; he resided at Barnstable, where he was presumably from his title a sea-captain; he died at Barnstable, November 12th, 1759, and was buried presumably at Lothrop's Hill Burying Ground, Barnstable, although no stone marks his grave. He was a son of Benjamin Lumbert by his second wife, Sarah (Walker) Lumbert, who resided at Barnstable. Samuel (or Lemuel) Lumbert's first wife was Anna Baker, whom he married at Barnstable, October 17th, 1717. She died May 19th, 1747, and was buried at Lothrop's Hill Burying Ground, Barnstable, Mass. The record of deaths at Barnstable, Mass., by Hinckley, on file at the N. E. Hist. Gen. Library, Boston, Mass., says that Thankful, wife of Lm[le] Lumbert died April 9th, 1786, and it is recorded as Lemuel. *Allen's Thacher Genealogy* says that Thankful, widow of Thomas[4] Thacher, married, a second time, to Captain Samuel Lumbert, from which it would appear that Thankful (Baxter) Thacher's second husband was either Samuel or Lemuel Lumbert.

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58. ELIZABETH[4] THACHER (Judah,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., October ——, 1667; died at ——; date of death —— (subsequent to August 12, 1727). She married, first, at Boston, Mass., probably, although we have no record as to place of marriage (her mother was living in Boston as early as 1691); date of marriage ——, not later than September 10th, 1696 (see date of birth of her first child), to Joshua Gee, as his second wife (his first wife was Elizabeth Harris, who died about 1696). He was born in Boston, date of birth ——, probably about 1667; he resided in Boston; he was a mariner in early life, and was held in slavery by the Moors in Morocco for some time previous to September 20th, 1687; afterwards, on his return to Boston, he was a shipwright, and owned and operated a shipyard on the southwest side of Prince Street. He died at Boston, between January 15th, 1722-3 (date of his will), and March 11th, 1722-3 (date of probate of his will), and was buried in Boston, Mass.

He was a son of Peter Gee and Grace (——) Gee, who was Peter Gee's wife in 1668 and who in 1681 was spoken of "as his then wife." Peter Gee resided in Boston and was a fisherman.

Children: 5 (Gee), 4 sons and 1 daughter, all born in Boston.

177 i. Samuel,[5] born June 10th, 1697; died previous to January 15th, 1722-3, as he was not mentioned in his father's will made on that date; not married.

+178 ii. Joshua,[5] born June 29th, 1698; baptized July 3rd, 1698; died ——, 1748; married first Sarah Rogers; second Anna Appleton; third Sarah Gardner.

179 iii. John,[5] born February 27th, 1699; died ——, previous to January 15th, 1722-3, as he was not mentioned in his father's will made in that date; not married.

180 iv. Ebenezer,[5] born December 22nd, 1702; died ——, 1730; he was appointed and qualified as one of the executors of his father's will on March 11th, 1722-3; not married.

181 v. Elizabeth,[5] born June 14th, 1704; died ——, previous to January 15th, 1722-3; as she is not mentioned in her father's will of that date; not married.

Elizabeth[4] Thacher-Gee, widow of Joshua Gee, married a second time, at Boston, Mass., probably, date of marriage ——, intention of marriage was published at Boston, Mass., August 12th, 1727, to Rev. Peter[4] Thacher (Rev. Thomas,[3] Rev. Peter,[2] of Salisbury, England, Rev. Peter,[1] of Queen Camel, England), as his third wife. He was born at Salem, Mass., July 18th, 1651, graduated at Harvard College 1671; he resided at Milton, Mass., where he was pastor of the First Church from June 1st, 1681, until his death; he died at Milton, Mass., December 17th, 1727, and was buried at Milton. He was a son of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, of Old South Church, Boston, by his first wife, Elizabeth Partridge-Kemp (widow of William Kemp and daughter of Rev. Ralph Partridge). Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher was pastor of the church of Weymouth, Mass., during his first wife's lifetime, and subsequently settled in Boston, where he died. A full record of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher will be found under the record of the descendants of Rev. Thomas[3] Thacher, which will follow the record of descendants of Antony[2] Thacher with which we are now occupied. There were no children by the marriage of Elizabeth[4] Thacher-Gee and Rev. Peter[4] Thacher.

Joshua Gee married, first, at Boston, Mass., on September 25th, 1688, by the Rev. Joshua Moody, to Elizabeth Harris, of Boston. She was born at Boston, Mass., September 7th, 1669, and died at Boston ——, subsequent to January 25th, 1693-4, and was probably buried in Boston. She was a daughter of John Harris and his wife Elizabeth (——) Harris, of Boston.

Children: 4 (Gee), 2 sons and 2 daughters, all born in Boston.

Not in Thacher line.

1. Peter, born December 16th, 1689.
2. Eliza, born November 22nd, 1690; baptized December 28th, 1690.
3. Joshua, born August 18th, 1692; died August 18th, 1692; buried August 21st, 1692.
4. Mary, born January 25th, 1693-4; baptized January 28th, 1693-4.

Of these children Peter, Eliza and Mary probably died before their father or else were provided for by *ante mortem* settlements, as they are none of them mentioned in their father's will, dated January 15th, 1722-3.

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NOTE REFERRING TO ELIZABETH[4] THACHER (JUDAH[3]) WHO MARRIED 1st JOSHUA GEE AND 2nd REV. PETER[4] THACHER OF MILTON, MASS.

As much confusion seems to exist on the part of the various old genealogical authorities as to who was the wife of Joshua Gee (son of Peter Gee, fisherman, of Boston, Mass.,) I deem it proper here to give my analysis of the facts as presented in full, as authority for the record I have here before given of Elizabeth[4] Thacher and her husband Joshua Gee.

Referring to the subject matter under the head of the record of Judah[3] Thacher (No. 35) we see that in the list of the children of Rev. Thomas Thornton of Yarmouth and Boston which was compiled by Freeman from the best authorities obtainable, there is no mention made of Rev. Thomas Thornton having had a daughter Elizabeth; and we assume that in giving this list, Freeman, in his *History of Cape Cod*, did not think that he ever had a daughter Elizabeth for if he had so thought, he would have mentioned her.

Savage in his *Genealogical Dictionary*, vol. iv., p. 292, says as follows, viz:

"Thomas Thorton came over in 1662; he went to Yarmouth, as early as June 18th, 1662. He removed to Boston and joined Mather's Church; his children were:

1. Ann, who married Nathaniel Hall of Yarmouth.
2. Mary, who married Judah Thacher and died November 30th, 1708, aged 68.
3. *Elizabeth who married Joshua Gee* of Boston and *afterwards Rev. Peter Thacher of Milton, Mass.*
4. Thomas.
5. Theophilus.
6. Priscilla, who died aged 11.
7. Timothy, born ——, 1647."

This list of children agrees with that given by Freeman, vol. ii, p. 200, with the exception that Savage gives as we see a daughter Elizabeth (not given by Freeman) whom he says married 1st Joshua Gee and 2nd Rev. Peter Thacher of Milton.

Bond's Watertown, p. 602, probably quoting directly from Savage says that "Elizabeth Thornton, daughter of Rev. Thomas Thornton, married 1st Joshua Gee and 2nd Rev. Peter Thacher of Boston."

In volume 28 of the *Boston Record Commission Reports*, p. 10 we get the following extract, viz:

"Joshua Gee married to Elizabeth Thornton by Rev. Cotton Mather, December 7th, 1705."

It is this last quoted record that has given rise to all this confusion and mis-statement by Savage and Bond.

Freeman's Cape Cod, vol. ii, p. 194, states that "Elizabeth, daughter of Judah Thacher became the 2nd wife of Mr. Joshua Gee of Boston."

By a careful consideration of each of the above quoted authorities we see that there is a distinct difference amongst them in their statements as to who was the wife of Joshua Gee; and we are forced to the conclusion that either one or the other of the authorities is wrong, or that there were in fact two (2) Joshua Gees whom they have confused, one of whom did marry Elizabeth[4] Thacher and the other of whom did marry an Elizabeth Thornton.

The most authoritative statement of those quoted above is that from p. 10, of vol. 28, of the *Boston Record Commission Report*, which specifically states that a Joshua Gee married on December 7, 1705, an Elizabeth Thornton, but note carefully that this record does not state that this Elizabeth Thornton was a daughter of Rev. Thomas Thornton, nor does it state this particular Joshua Gee was the son of Peter Gee of Boston. The question naturally arises; "What Joshua Gee and what Elizabeth Thornton was it who were married, December 7th, 1705?"

Hon. George Thacher in his MSS. Thacher Genealogy, states that Elizabeth[4] Thacher, daughter of Judah[3] Thacher (Antony[2]) married Mr. Joshua Gee; and as Hon. George Thacher died in 1824 aged 70, and was all during his life a faithful and indefatigable student of Thacher Genealogy, I feel certain that his statement is correct.

In the *Heraldic Journal*, vol. i, p. 129, as before quoted in these articles, we find a record of the quartering of the Gee Arms with those of the Thachers' and a distinct statement given that these arms so quartered were the arms of Joshua Gee of Boston. No other intermarriage of a Gee or a Thacher is ever quoted or known of; and these arms thus referred to were the arms of Rev. Joshua[5] Gee and of his brother Ebenezer[5] Gee who were children of Joshua[4] Gee by his 2nd wife Elizabeth[4] Thacher.

In the *Mass. Hist. Soc. Collections*, vol. i, series vi, we have a reprint of Sewall's letters; and beginning with October 30th, 1695, we find there a series of letters from Sewall to John Ive (located probably then in London, Eng.) relating to the endeavor then being made to obtain the liberation from slavery in Mequinez, Morocco, of Thomas[6] Thacher of Boston (Thomas[4], Rev. Thomas[3]) and of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth (Judah[3]). From one of these letters, (pp. 206–7) dated November 4th, 1698, from Sewall to Ive Joshua Gee is quoted as speaking of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth as his (Joshua Gee's) wife's brother.

Now if Joshua Gee's wife was a sister of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth in 1698, Joshua Gee must have married this sister of Thomas[4] Thacher previous to the date of this letter which was November 4th, 1698, and this sister whom he married was Elizabeth[4] Thacher (Judah[3]) as we have above stated. Rev. Joshua[5] Gee (i.e. 5th generation in the Thacher line) son of Joshua[4] Gee and his 2nd wife Elizabeth[4] Thacher-Gee, who was born June 29th, 1698, and was baptized July 3rd, 1698, speaks in later life (subsequent to 1727) of his respected father-in-law, Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton (Rev. Thomas[3]), showing that his mother must have married a 2nd time to Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton. The term mother-in-law used in this instance was employed to mean step-mother undoubtedly as Rev. Joshua[5] Gee's actual mothers-in-law were none of the three of them of Thacher blood, but bore the names of Rogers, Appleton and Gardner respectively. Now as Rev. Joshua[5] Gee was born in 1698 and his father Joshua[4] Gee did not die (as we know) until subsequent to January 15, 1722–3 (see date of his will), and his mother married a 2nd time, August 12th, 1727, to Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton, she (Rev. Joshua[5] Gee's mother) must have been alive from 1698 to 1727; and as Joshua[4] Gee did not die until 1722–3, the Joshua Gee who is recorded as having married on December 7th, 1705, to Elizabeth Thornton could not have been Joshua[4] Gee, father of Rev. Joshua[5] Gee, whose mother was Elizabeth[4] Thacher who survived her husband Joshua[4] Gee and in 1727 became the wife of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton.

In order to make this still more clear, I will here give a full and complete resumé of all Gee and Thornton items taken from the *Boston Record Commission Reports*, vols. ix, xxiv, and xxviii, in so far as they may in any way refer to the question under discussion, "BR" being the reference mark used to refer to these reports, viz:

Family No. 1.

B R, vol ix, p. 84, Gee, John; son of John and Hazelponah, b. May 27th, 1662. Town Records.

" " " " p. 121, Gee, Hazelponi, baptised 19th day of 9th month, 1671; 1st Church Records.

It is quite evident that the record as given of this family can have no bearing whatever on the case in question.

Family No. 2.

B R, vol. ix, p. 145, Gee, Thomas, son of John and Joane, b. May 15th, 1678. Town Records.

" " " " p. 148, Gee, Grace, dau. of John and Joane, b. May 26th, 1679. Town Records.

" " " " p. 151, Gee, Joshua, son of John and Joane, b. January 19th, 1680. Town Records.

" " " " p. 160, Gee, Mary, dau. of John and Joane, b. April 11th, 1683. Town Records.

" " " " p. 165, Gee, Grace, dau. of John and Joane, b. September 4th, 1685. Town Records.

" " " " p. 174, Gee, Lately, son of John and Joane, b. February 4th, 1687. Town Records.

" " " " p. 201, Gee, Ann, dau. of John and Joane, b. April 27th, 1692. Town Records.

" " " " p. 211, Gee, John, died July 25th, 1693.

" " " " p. 211, Gee, Joan, wife of John, died July 17th, 1693.

Note the fact that in the obove Family No. 2 there was a Joshua Gee, born January 19th, 1680, who would on December 7th, 1705, have been about the marriageable age, and hence may very likely have been the Joshua Gee who on that date married an Elizabeth Thornton.

Family No. 3

B R, vol. ix, p. 182, Gee, Joshua and Eliza Harrise were married at Boston by the Rev. Joshua Moody, September 25th, 1688. Town Records.

" " " " p. 184, Gee, Peter, son of Joshua and Eliza, born December 16th, 1689. Town Records.

" " " " p. 190, Gee, Eliza, dau. of Joshua and Eliza, b. November 22nd, 1690. Town Records.

" " " " p. 195, Gee, Eliza, ——; baptized December 28th, 1690. 1st Church Records.

" " " " p. 201, Gee, Joshua, son of Joshua and Eliza, b. August 18th, 1692. Town Records.

" " " " p. 204, Gee, Joshua, son of Joshua and Eliza, died August 18th, 1692. Town Records.

" " " " p. 205, Gee, Joshua, ——; buried August 21st, 1692. 1st Church Records.

" " " " p. 207, Gee, Mary, dau. of Joshua and Eliza, b. January 25th, 1693-4. Town Records.

" " " " p. 220, Gee, Mary, ——; baptized January 28th, 1694. 1st Church Records.

Notice here the lapse of two years and six months between the date of birth of the last child named above, Mary Gee, and the date of birth of the following child, Samuel Gee, recorded below. Bear in mind that Joshua[4] Gee who married Elizabeth[4] Thacher was a widower when he married her (according to Freeman;) also bear in mind the fact that Elizabeth Gee (the mother of Rev. Joshua[5] Gee) survived her husband (who died in 1722-3) and married 2nd on August 27th, 1727, to Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton; and most important of all, bear in mind that on November 4th, 1698, Joshua[4] Gee refers to his wife's brother.

CORRECTIONS:

Page 124, last line under head of Corrections, *page 85* should read *page 95*.
Page 110, top line, *1681* should read *1581*.

THACHER-THATCHER GENEALOGY

Part VII.

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[illegible] THACHER OF YARMOUTH, MASS.
AND [illegible] DESCENDANTS.

Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth, and remember that Joshua[4] Gee was a brother-in-law of Thomas[4] Thacher and had a son Joshua[5] Gee born, as we will see below, June 29th, 1698. From all of which it will appear quite evident that Joshua[4] Gee must have married Elizabeth[4] Thacher at least as early as September 29th, 1697, and perhaps earlier; which suggests that Elizabeth Harrise, 1st wife of Joshua[4] Gee, died subsequent to January 25th, 1693–4, the date of birth of Mary Gee, the last child above recorded.

B R, Vol. ix, p. 232, Gee, Samuel, son of Joshua and Eliza, b. June 10th, 1697. Town Records.
" " " " p. 240, Gee, Joshua, son of Joshua and Elizabeth, b. June 29th, 1698. Town Records.
" " " " p. 247, Gee, John, son of Joshua and Eliza, b. Feb. 27th, 1699. Town Records.
" " " xxiv, p. 15, Gee, Ebenezer, son of Joshua and Elizabeth, b. Dec. 22, 1702. Town Records.
" " " " p. 28, Gee, Elizabeth, dau. of Joshua and Eliza, b. June 14th, 1704. Town Records.

Now bearing in mind that Elizabeth[4] Thacher is said to have married Joshua Gee as his 2nd wife, and that she was the mother of Joshua[5] Gee born June 29th, 1698, and that she married a 2nd time (after the death of Joshua[4] Gee her 1st husband) on August 12th, 1727: it is conclusively proven that Elizabeth[4] Thacher must have married Joshua[4] Gee previous to September 29th, 1697 (which is 9 months previous to the birth of Joshua[5] Gee). It also follows that Elizabeth (Harrise) Gee, 1st wife of Joshua[4] Gee must have died previous to September 29th, 1697.

The question then arises as to who was the mother of Samuel Gee born June 10th, 1697, which up to the present point of our demonstration is somewhat in doubt, as there is nothing that we have shown up to now which prevents Elizabeth (Harrise) Gee having been Samuel Gee's mother, nor have we proven that Elizabeth (Thacher) Gee was not.

It is a matter of record that Elizabeth[4] Thacher was the eldest child of Judah[3] Thacher and that she was born October —, 1667. Mary (Thornton) Thacher (widow of Judah[3]) was admitted to the 2nd Church, Boston (Cotton Mather's Church) November 1st, 1691, and her daughter Ann[4] Thacher joined the same church May 10th, 1696; her son Judah[4] Thacher joined the same church January 29th, 1698-9; and her daughter Mary[4] Thacher, joined that church September 26th, 1703. The only daughter (in fact the only child that reached maturity) of Judah[3] Thacher who is not recorded as joining that church is Elizabeth[4] Thacher and as she was living all during these years it is a fair inference that she had during that period married and joined that church or some other church under her married name. As her entire family excluding herself belonged to the 2nd church we naturally would look in the records of the 2nd church to see if she is recorded as joining that body under a married name.

From the History of the 2nd Church, Boston we obtain the following record of admissions thereto:

May 2nd, 1697. Joshua Gee, admitted to 2nd Church Boston.
May 2nd, 1697. Elizabeth Gee, " " " " "

These entries bearing the same date taken in connection with the fact that on November 4th, 1698, Joshua[4] Gee refers to Thomas[4] Thacher (brother of Elizabeth[4] Thacher) as his wife's sister prove conclusively that Joshua[4] Gee had married Elizabeth[4] Thacher as his 2nd wife before May 2nd, 1697, and if Elizabeth[4] Thacher was the wife of Joshua[4] Gee previous to May 2nd, 1697, she must have been the mother of Samuel[5] Gee who was born June 10th, 1697, as well as of all the children born subsequently to Joshua[4] Gee as recorded under head of Family No. 3, viz:

Joshua[5] Gee, b. June 29th, 1698.
John[5] Gee, b. February 27th, 1699 (or 1699-1700).
Ebenezer[5] Gee, b. December 22nd, 1702.
Elizabeth[5] Gee, b. June 14, 1704.

And this is rendered all the more probable, as in the record of the Baptisms in the 2nd Church, Boston (see History of said Church) we find the above children's baptisms recorded in one group as follows:

June 13th, 1697.	Gee, Samuel, son of Joshua baptized.	
July 3rd, 1698.	" Joshua, " " " "	
March 3rd, 1700.	" John, " " " "	
Dec. 27th, 1702.	" Ebenezer, " " "	
June 18th, 1704.	" Elizabeth, daughter of Joshua, baptized.	

And the foregoing are *all* of the children whose baptisms are grouped under this heading.

The natural and inevitable conclusion from all of the preceeding records is that Joshua[4] Gee while married to his 1st wife Elizabeth (Harrise) Gee belonged to the 1st Church, Boston, and that on marrying Elizabeth[4] Thacher after his first wife's death he was dismissed to, and with his 2nd wife joined the 2nd Church which was the place of worship of all of his 2nd wife's family. Granting that Joshua[4] Gee who married Elizabeth[4] Thacher was a widower at the time of his marriage to her (which fact is distinctly stated to be so hy various contemporaneous authorities); he, Joshua[4] Gee, married 1st Elizabeth Harrise on Septemher 25th, 1688 and hy her had all the children grouped under head of Family No. 3 up to and including Mary[5] Gee born January 25th (haptized January 28th), 1694. His wife Elizaheth (Harrise) Gee died suhsequent to January 25th, 1694, the date of hirth of her last child, and Joshua[4] Gee then married 2nd to Elizaheth[4] Thacher in time to have hy her a child Samuel[5] Gee horn June 10th, 1697, and hence he must have married her at least nine (9) months previous to that date, or on or previous to Septemher 10th, 1696. Joshua[4] Gee had hy his 2nd wife Elizaheth[4] Thacher all the children above recorded as born in the years 1697-98-99-1702 and 1704.

The records as they are found to exist in no way disagree with the traditions of the family and the statements of numerous authorities Savage and Bond excepted; and we claim to have corrected the statements of these two latter authorities in estahlishing beyond cavil the following facts:

1st Joshua[4] Gee married 1st Elizaheth Harris, on Septemher 25th, 1688; she died previous to Septemher 10th, 1696.

2nd Joshua[4] Gee married 2nd Elizaheth[4] Thacher (Judah[3]) on or previous to Septemher 10th, 1696.

3rd Joshua[4] Gee under date of November 4th, 1698, is quoted hy Sewall as speaking of Thomas[4] Thacher (hrother of Elizaheth[4] Thacher) of Yarmouth, Mass., as his wife's hrother,

4th Elizaheth[4] (Thacher) Gee, widow of Joshua[4] Gee, married a 2nd time on August 12th, 1727, to Rev. Peter[4] Thacher, of Milton, Mass., which is a matter of record.

5th Rev. Joshua[5] Gee was according to his own statement a "son-in-law" (a term used hy him to signify step-son) of Rev. Peter[4] Thacher of Milton. This statement heing made hy him in a funeral sermon delivered subsequent to the death of his step-father which occurred Decemher 17th, 1727.

Joshua[4] Gee (father of Rev. Joshua[5] Gee), who married as his 2nd wife Elizabeth[4] Thacher, was in his early life a mariner evidently engaged as shipmaster or merchant in trade with the Mediteranean Sea countries and while on some voyage connected with his vocation was captured and held in slavery by the Moors in Morocco. This fact is made clear hy reference to vol. i, series vi, of the Mass. Hist. Soc. Collections, in which we see that Joshua Gee was liberated from captivity by the Moors previous to Septemher 20th 1687. That the Joshua Gee who was then liberated was the same Joshua[4] Gee who married, suhsequent to his 1st wife's death, to Elizaheth[4] Thacher is made clear by a letter in this same volume from Sewall to Ive under date of Novemher 4th, 1698, in which Sewall says "Mr. Gee knows the heart of a captive;" and this same letter makes it clear that the once captive Joshua Gee had married Elizabeth[4] Thacher, as in the letter Mr. Gee is quoted as speaking of Thomas[4] Thacher of Boston as "his wife's brother."

Joshua[4] Gee when liberated from captivity returned to Boston aud became a shipwright and married as we have ahove shown 1st to Elizabeth Harrise and 2nd to Elizabeth[4] Thacher. He made his will under date of January 15th, 1722-3, and it was prohated March 11th, 1722-3; hence he died between these dates.

In this will he mentions his wife Elizabeth and his sons Joshua and Ebenezer, no other children being mentioned, and he appoints the three as his executors.

On the hypothesis (which we think we have established as a fact) that Joshua[4] Gee who married Elizabeth[4] Thacher was married twice and was a widower when he married Elizabeth[4] Thacher, and that his 1st wife was Elizabeth Harrise, we must from the terms of his will assume that all of his children by his 1st wife, as given in Family No. 3, were on January 15th, 1722-3, either dead without issue, or that they had been previously provided for by *ante mortem* settlements, as they are not mentioned in their father's will of that date; and also that all of his children by his 2nd wife (Elizabeth[4] Thacher) except Joshua[5] and Ebenezer[5] Gee were also dead on that date or had been previously provided for by *ante mortem* settlements as they are none of them mentioned in their father's will. The History of the 2nd Church, Boston gives dates of baptisms and admission to the Church but does not give any dates of deaths or burials; therefore I have been unable to determine positively the dates of the death of those children by 1st and 2nd marriages who are not mentioned in their father's will; but as no mention is made of them in said will it seems a fair presumption that they were dead without issue on January 15th, 1722-3.

Family No. 4.

B R, Vol. ix, p. 134, Thorton Mary, dau. of Timothy and Experience, b. April 2nd, 1674. Town Records.
" " " " p. 135, Thornton, Mary, dau. of Timothy and Experience, bapt. 5th day, 2nd mo. 1674. 1st Church Records.
" " " " p. 136, Thornton, Thomas, son of Timothy and Experience bapt. 21st day, 9th mo., 1675. 1st Church Records.
" " " " p. 143, Thornton, *Elizabeth, dau. of Timothy and Experience, born Nov. 17th, 1677. Town Records.*
" " " " p. 150, Thornton, Ann, dau. of Timothy and Experience, born Nov. 7th, 1679. Town Records.
" " " " p. 156, Thornton, Timothy, son of Timothy and Experience, born May 6th, 1681. Town Records.
" " " " p. 176, Thorton, Priscilla, dau. of Timothy and Experience, born Feb. 23rd, 1687. Town Records.
" " " " p. 219, Thornton, wife of Timothy, died Mar. 23rd, 1694. Town Records.

The error and confusion which has arisen regarding the identity of the Joshua Gee who married Elizabeth Thornton on December 7th, 1705, is thus explained.

Joshua Gee (son of John and Joane Gee) born January 19th, 1680 (see Family No. 2), married on December 7th, 1705, to Elizabeth Thornton (daughter of Timothy and Experience Thornton, see Family No. 4) who was born November 17th, 1677. They were both of marriageable age in 1705 and were the Joshua Gee and Elizabeth Thornton who married December 7th, 1705. John Gee who married Joane ——, and Joshua Gee who married 1st Elizabeth Harrise and 2nd Elizabeth[4] Thacher were brothers, and were sons of Peter Gee a fisherman of Boston possibly by his wife Grace ——, both of whom (Peter and Grace) were living in 1681 as will be seen by consulting Suffolk County, Mass. Deeds, vol. xii, p. 130; and therefore the Joshua Gee who married December 7th, 1705, to Elizabeth Thornton was a nephew of Joshua Gee who married 1st to Elizabeth Harrise and 2nd Elizabeth[4] Thacher; and in the records the former is sometimes mentioned as Joshua Gee, Jr., to distinguish him from his uncle Joshua Gee.

From the above facts we are enabled to construct the record of Family No. 5.

B R, Vol. xxviii, p. 10, Joshua Gee was married at Boston by Rev. Cotton Mather on Dec. 7th, 1705, to Elizabeth Thornton and had the following children.
" " " " p. 45, Gee, John, born March 23rd, 1706. Town Records.
" " " " p. 61, Gee, Eliza, born January 15th, 1709. Town Records, recorded as dau. of Joshua, Jr.
" " " " p. 82, Gee, Ann, born March 4th, 1711-12, Town Records.

Joshua Gee, the father of the above family No. 5 died when bis daughter Anne was 18 months old hence died about September 4tb, 1712-13. Elizabeth Thornton-Gee widow of this Joshua Gee was married a 2nd time at Boston on January 11th, 1722, by the Rev. Cotton Mather to William Fine, a "slatter." The following abstracts of tbe wills and settlements of the estates of Joshua Gee, son of Peter, and Joshua Gee, son of John, will render it quite clear that they were not one and the same individual.

Abstract of will of Joshua Gee (son of Peter Gee), shipwrigbt. Will dated January 15th, 1722–3, probated March 11th, 1722–3, Gives to Elizabetb Gee, his wife, in lieu of dower, bis home and land and garden in north end of Boston with all privileges and appurtenances for life, with privilege to dispose of the same at her death to either of bis two sons (Rev. Joshua[5] and Ebenezer[5]) as she may see fit; also gives to his wife ½ of plate and bousehold goods and furniture (with certain exceptions) and the sum of £100, and the testator's negro woman Diana and her child. Gives to bis son Joshua a certain Library of books located in cbamber of his house together with other contents of said chamber and all of his land in County of York and a silver cup. Gives to his son Ebenezer Gee certain lands and books, gold seal ring "with ye coat of arms," silver tankard, gun and sword. Joshua and Ebenezer his sons residuary legatees. Executors wife Elizabeth and sons Joshua and Ebenezer. No other individuals mentioned. Witnesses: Benjn. Edwards, John Harrod, Sam'l White. Admitted to probate on oath of witnesses by Samuel Sewall, March 11th, 1722–3.

Abstract of settlement of estate of Joshua Gee, shipwright of Boston (son of John and Joane.) He died about September 4th, 1712–13, intestate leaving a widow and 3 children; John, Eliza and Ann. No immediate settlement of his estate was made, the widow having possession of same until November 25th, 1724. She having previously, on January 11th, 1722, married a 2nd time to William Fine, a "slatter" of Boston, it was probably regarded by the Court as necessary to have the estate of her 1st husband, Joshua Gee, administered, in order to safeguard the interests of her children by her 1st marriage. On November 25th, 1724, Judge Samuell Sewall appointed William Fine and Elizabeth his wife to administer the estate of said Joshua Gee and make report thereupon before November 25th, 1725. In compliance with said administration, an inventory of estate was submitted to Court of said estate on November 30th, 1724, signed by Robert Renton, Thomas Jones and Tho. Tippin and also sworn to by William Fine and Elizabeth his wife. On April 9th, 1725, an additional inventory was submitted signed by Timo. Crouchington, Ferdinando Bowd and Joseph Poumery, and sworn to by William Fine and Elizabeth Fine. Attached to this inventory is a statement of a claim against said estate made by William Fine and Elizabeth Fine for expenditures made in bringing up the cbildren (John, Elizabeth and Anne) of Joshua Gee by his wife Elizabeth (Thornton) Gee who married as her 2nd busband, Wm. Fine. In the statement of this claim it is specifically stated that the child John was 10 years old in 1715; that Elizabetb was 7 years old in 1715, and that Anne was 18 months old at the time of ber father's death; all of which ages in 1715 agree with the dates of birth of said cbildren as given in Family No. 5. On December 20th, 1725, a 3rd statement of said estate was submitted to the Court by William and Elizabeth Fine; and on January 7th, 1725–6, the final statement of William Fine and Elizabeth Fine as administrators of Estate of Joshua Gee was submitted to the Court and approved.

Suffolk Co., Mass., Deeds, vol. vi, pp. 124 and 134, and vol. ix, p. 97, and vol xii, p. 130, show conclusively that John Gee and Joshua Gee (father of families No. 2 and No. 3 respectively) were brotbers and sons of Peter Gee, fisherman of Boston, whose wife in 1668 and 1681 was Grace —— and this Grace was perhaps the mother of these two sons John and Joshua; there is some doubt, however, as to whetber she was their mother, as in one of tbe deeds above referred to she is described by Peter Gee as "my now wife" suggesting the possibility of her being a 2nd wife and not of necessity tbe mother of his children.

In the Memorial History of Boston, vol. i, p. 555, we have the following extract whicb sbows conclusively the connection which existed between the Gee and Thatcher Families, viz:

"In 1711 Samuel Sewall and his wife Hannah conveyed a part of what had been once the pasture of old John Hall the mint-master, to the town of Boston to form a part of the Copp's Hill Burying ground and in the deed of transfer there was a reservation made of 'one rodd square in which Mrs. Mary Thacher now lyeth buried,' which rodd square had previously in 1708-9 been conveyed by them (Sewall and his wife) 'with no right of way except across the old burying ground' to Joshua Gee."

Mrs. Mary Thacher was the mother-in-law of the above referred to Joshua Gee and hence the reason for his buying the title to her burial place. This Little "rodd square" is even to this day private property of the Gee heirs (unless subsequently deeded by them) although it is located in the midst of Copp's Hill Burying Ground, which is the property of the City of Boston.

In vol. ii, p vii, of this same Memorial History of Boston can be seen a fac-simile of the signature of Joshua Gee who married as his 2nd wife Elizabeth[4] Thacher; and also the statement that early in the 18th century he owned a ship yard on the S. W. side of Prince Street and that his home stood on the S. W. corner of Salem and Prince Street. He also owned some of the adjacent property which fell in 1722-3 to his sons Joshua and Ebenezer (the latter of whom died in 1730) and finally fell wholly to Joshua who died in 1748, when the estate was divided, according to a document which the "Gleaner" calls one of the most important in the Boston Probate office.

From all of the above it will be seen that D. W. Allen in his *Thacher Genealogy*, on p. 35, is absolutely in error in stating that Elizabeth[4] Thacher (daughter of Judah[3] Thacher) married Joshua Gee, December 7th, 1705. She did marry him however on or previous to September 10th, 1696.

59. THOMAS[4] THACHER (Judah,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., May 18th, 1669; he resided at Yarmouth and was a mariner by profession; he died at Mequinez, Morocco, while held there in slavery by the Moors, date of death previous to June 17th, 1702; he was probably buried in Mequinez. We have no record of his ever having married and he is presumed to have died single.

Thomas[4] Thacher came of age May 18th, 1690, and according to the terms of the settlement of the estate of his father Judah[3] Thacher he received his father's house and one-half of the land most convenient thereto. Inasmuch as Judah[3] Thacher inherited one-half of the land of Antony[2] Thacher, it follows that Thomas[4] Thacher's inheritance was one-fourth of the real estate of Antony[2] Thacher, which was a goodly portion for those days.

D. W. Allen in his *Thacher Genealogy*, p. 36, states that this Thomas[4] Thacher settled in Tolland, Conn., in which statement he is entirely in error. He probably derived this impression from the first part of the MSS. Thacher Genealogy by the Hon. George Thacher. Hon. George Thacher was self-confessedly very ignorant of the records of the descendants of Judah[3] Thacher and records the *tradition* that Thomas[4] Thacher had gone to Tolland, Conn., but never gave any facts in substantiation of such tradition. Lack of knowledge of the descendants of Judah[3] Thacher up to a recent date was due to the primary fact that the family became extinct in the male line with the death of Thomas[4] and Judah[4] both of whom died not married, leaving no issue. And as they both died long before Hon. George

Thacher was born, leaving in their immediate branch of the family none of the name in Hon. George Thacher's day, it is not remarkable that his sole knowledge of them was an unfounded tradition. However, we of more recent times, due to the publication of old records have been able to find out somewhat about Thomas[4] Thacher.

Probably starting at manhood he chose the sea as a means of livelihood, whether as a sea captain or as a trader does not appear, but as he was of some means it is presumed that he commanded his own vessel. Apparently his calling required voyages to southern European waters as is shown by his fate; as on his last voyage he was captured by the Moors and held a slave in captivity, in Mequinez, Morocco, where he died early in 1702, previous to June 17th, of that year.

In the *Mass. Hist. Soc. Collections,* vol. i., series vi., there is as I have before noted a series of letters from Sewall to John Ive, probably of London, Eng.; these letters begin October 30th, 1695, and bear largely upon the concerted endeavor then being made in New England to secure the liberation from slavery of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth, then held a captive by the Moors in Mequinez, and who had as a companion in this captivity one James Ball, at one time of Boston, New England, and later of Bristow, England. This correspondence continues, Sewall from time to time sending money to Ive to be used in the interest of the captives, either in ameliorating their condition or affecting their release by ransom or escape. During all this time Joshua Gee, who about 1696 married Elizabeth[4] Thacher (sister of the captive Thomas[4] Thacher) was largely instrumental in raising the necessary funds, subscribing thereto himself to the amount of £50 towards effecting the release of Thomas[4] Thacher. Joshua Gee had himself previously been a captive slave of the Moors and was released from such captivity previous to September 20th, 1687. It may have been that Joshua Gee had been a fellow captive with Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth, at Mequinez, and after his escape or ransom (it does not appear which), out of friendship for Thomas[4] Thacher became acquainted with Thomas[4] Thacher's family who subsequent to 1691 were living in Boston; and this acquaintance ripening into friendship resulted in the marriage not later than 1696 of Joshua Gee to Elizabeth[4] Thacher, the sister of Thomas[4] Thacher, who was still a captive at Mequinez. However, that may be we have among the papers of Sewall the following account rendered by Sewall of funds raised by Joshua Gee under date of March 29th, 1694, viz:—

"Account of money collected for Thomas Thacher of Yarmouth, given me by Joshua Gee, March 29th, 1694.

By his relatives	£50-00.00
By Joshua Gee	50-00.00
By Miss Copp and Gill	39-15.02
By Hingham	10-17.00
By Barnstable	8-14.00
By Sandwich	3- 8.00
By Eastham and Harwich	16- 5.00
By Judith Thacher	9-11.00
By a friend	7.00
	£187-17-02

Bills of Exchange	£202.10.0
Deduct	187.17.2
Rests	14.12.10."

From this account we see that Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth was in captivity as early as 1694 when the fund was raised. And as news travelled slowly in those days it is more than probable that he had been in captivity some little time before it was known, and the funds raised for the betterment of his condition. It has been asked who was the Judith Thacher who in the above account subscribed £9-11.00. No Judith Thacher that we know of was living at that time, and it has been suggested that Thomas[4] Thacher may have married a Judith ——, who was the party who sent this amount to him to aid in his release. I do not think that this was the case as Thomas[4] Thacher was born in 1669 and was in captivity in 1694, when he was not yet 25 years old, and had been there for sometime in such captivity, and as we have no record of his marriage in the early colonial records, I do not think that he ever married. I account for *Judith* Thacher in this way. It is a noticeable fact that in the records of that period the name Juda (Judah) was often recorded Judith, and *vice versa* Judith was frequently recorded Juda (Judah). My belief is that the Judith Thacher here above recorded as sending the £9-11.00 was in reality Thomas[4] Thacher's brother Judah[4] Thacher, born December 7th, 1676, and who was in 1694 almost of age, and who may have received the authority of the Court to thus subscribe for his brother's ransom. This Judah[4] Thacher was at this date living in Boston, where he joined the Second Church in 1698.

These letters of Sewall to Ive continue and in them as before stated (under the record of Elizabeth[4] Thacher) on November 4th, 1698, Joshua Gee is quoted as speaking of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth as his (Joshua Gee's) wife's brother; and on June 17th, 1702, in a letter from Sewall to Ive, Sewall states, "I have yours per Captain Foster, giving further account of the return of the captives, and of the death of poor Thacher of Yarmouth, which Anthony Hay-

wood, now come in the *Centurion,* also informed me of." Sewall then goes on to instruct Ive to return the balance of the account in favor of Thomas Thacher[4] of Yarmouth to enable him (Sewall) to return it *pro rata* unto those who gave it. It is not specifically stated whether Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth died in Mequinez during his captivity or soon after his release, but I have assumed from the term of the letter that he died in captivity. The Anthony Haywood, of the *Centurion,* referred to in the letter of Sewall was in all likelihood the father of Margaret Haywood, who married Thomas[5] Thacher (Thomas[4]), of Boston, who was the Thomas Thacher, of Boston, who was a fellow captive in Mequinez of Thomas[4] Thacher of Yarmouth, and who was liberated on or before June 17th, 1702. The John Ive who was Sewall's correspondent, it has appealed to me may have been a relative of the John Ive who was one of the vestrymen of St. Edmund's Church, during the incumbency of Rev. Peter[2] Thacher of Salisbury.

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60. MARY[4] THACHER (Judah,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., March 17th, 1671; she resided before marriage at Yarmouth, Mass., and Boston, Mass.; she died at ——; date of death ——; she married first, at Boston, Mass., November 3rd, 1692, to Moses Draper (as his second wife), born at ——; date of birth ——; he resided at Roxbury and Boston, Mass.; he died at Boston, Mass., August 14th, 1693, and is buried in Copp's Hill Burying Ground, Boston, where a gravestone marks his grave; his parentage is unknown, but he was perhaps a son of James Draper of Dedham, Mass.

Child: 1 (Draper) son, born at Boston, Mass.

182 i. Moses,[5] born September 12th, 1693; baptized September 17th, 1693, at Second Church, Boston. I know nothing further of this child. However, in Boston Record Commission Report, vol. 28, p. 276, we have the intention of marriage published in Boston (marriage not recorded there) between Moses Draper and Mary Allen, November 26th, 1743. This may have been this Moses Draper, but if so it was probably not a first marriage as on that date he was 50 years of age. *N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.,* vol. iv., p. 68, mentions Capt. Moses Draper as being in Regiment of Thomas Gardner of Cambridge (25th Regt.) July 6th, 1775; and vol. xxvii., p. 121, speaks of Capt. Moses Draper being at Battle of Bunker Hill. (Authorities, *Hist.*

Second Church, Boston, p. 242, and Savage's *Gen. Dic.,* vol. ii., p. 71; iii., p. 616.)

Mary[4] Thacher-Draper was admitted to Second Church, Boston, September 26th, 1703. Moses Draper, Sr., confessed Jesus and was admitted to full communion in Roxbury Church and was baptized there December 17th, 1683.

Moses Draper, Sr., married first at ——, on July 7th, 1685, to Hannah Chandler; she was born at ——; date of birth ——; she was admitted into full communion in Church at Roxbury, Mass., in 1689. She died at Roxbury, Mass., June 9th, 1692, aged 22-8-21, and was buried at Roxbury, Mass., gravestone. She was a daughter of Deacon John and Elizabeth (Douglas) Chandler, of Woodstock, Conn.

Children: 3 (Draper), daughters. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Hannah, born April 8th, 1686.
2. Elizabeth, first, born ——, 1687; died November 5th, 1687.
3. Elizabeth, second, born November 17th, 1688; died November 17th, 1688, and was buried in Roxbury, Mass., gravestone.

A stone to the memory of Moses Draper is in Copp's Hill Burying Ground and is thus inscribed:

"Here lyeth buried ye body of Moses Draper, aged about 31 years, deceased ye 14th of August, 1693."

From a book of transcripts of Land Records at Roxbury, Mass., September 22nd, 1715, lot No. 33 is recorded in name of Moses Draper. This must refer to Moses Draper, Jr., who was born September 12th, 1693.

Mary[4] Thacher-Draper, (widow of Moses Draper, Sr.), was married a second time at Boston, Mass., on August 19th, 1704, by Mr. James Allen to Joseph Grant. He was born at Boston, February 15th, 1660-61 and resided at Boston; he died at Boston, date of death ——, and was buried in Copp's Hill Burying Ground where a footstone marks his grave with no date thereon. Joseph Grant was a son of Edward Grant, of Boston, a shipwright who died ——, 1682, (leaving a widow, Sarah and one child Joseph) and his wife Sarah (Ward) Grant, (daughter of William Ward, (or Ware) who died in Boston, March 25th, 1690. Edward Grant was a freeman in 1672.

Child: i. (Grant), son, born at Boston, Mass.

+183 ii. Samuel,[5] born October 13th, 1705; died ——; married Elizabeth Cookson.

From *Boston Record Commission Report,* vol. 9, p. 196, we obtain the following extract:

"Joseph Grant, son of Joseph and Hannah, born at Boston, June 22nd, 1691," from which it appears possible that the above Joseph Grant (Mary[4] Thacher's second husband) may possibly

have been previously married to one Hannah ——. I have however been unable to establish this as a fact.

From *Boston Record Commission Report,* vol. 28, p. 51, we obtain the following extract:

"Joseph Grant and Dorothy Allen were married by Rev. Cotton Mather, October 6th, 1714," and from same *Records,* vol. 24, we obtain the following record of births:

"P. 119. 1. Joseph, son of Joseph and Dorothy Grant, born June 7th, 1716.

"P. 129. 2. John, son of Joseph and Dorothy Grant, born March 5th, 1717-18.

"P. 136. 3. Edward, son of Joseph and Dorothy Grant, born Dec. 11th, 1719.

"P. 186. 4. William, son of Joseph and Dorothy Grant, born April 2d, 1728."

From which records it appears possible that Joseph Grant, who married Mary[4] Thacher as her second husband, may have married a third time to Dorothy Allen. It seems, however, more probable that the Joseph Grant who married Dorothy Allen was the Joseph Grant (son of Joseph and Hannah Grant), born June 22d, 1691. From the data at hand and time at my disposal, I have been unable to determine which (if either) of these surmises is correct; but it does not materially matter to this record as the children of the issue are not of Thacher blood.

A Mary Draper was either baptized in or admitted to the First Church, Boston, October 13th, 1695. I do not think that this was Mary[4] (Thacher) Draper, (although it may have been she), as her only child by Moses Draper, senior, was baptized in the Second Church, Boston, September 17th, 1693, and her second husband, Joseph Grant, was also of the Second Church. Yet it may have been she, as her child may have been baptized in the Second Church, which was the church of her mother's family, and she may have subsequently been dismissed to the First Church subsequent to her first husband's death; and again on September 26th, 1703, may have been again dismissed back to her old church, the Second Church of Boston.

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64. JABEZ[4] HOWLAND (Bethia[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Plymouth, Mass., November 15th, 1669; he resided at Plymouth, Mass., and Bristol, Rhode Island; he was a blacksmith and cooper, succeeding to his father's business; he was

an industrious and thrifty man; he died at Bristol, R. I., October 17th, 1732, aged 64, and was buried in St. Michael's P. E. Churchyard, Bristol, R. I., on October 19th, 1732. His estate was $15,000 in value. Executors, his daughters Bethia Bragg, a widow, and Elizabeth Howland, spinster. He married at ——, date of marriage ——, to Patience Stafford, who was born at ——, date of birth ——, 1669 (see age at death); she died at Bristol, R. I., October 23rd, 1721, aged 52, and was buried in St. Michael's P. E. Churchyard being the first body interred there. She was re-interred in 1726. She was a daughter of Samuel Stafford (born ——, 1636; died March 20, 1718), and his wife Mercy Westcott (who died March 25, 1700), of Warwick, R. I.

Children: 9 (Howland), 2 sons and 7 daughters, all born in Bristol, R. I.

184 i. Patience, 1st,[5] b. ——; baptized 7-2-1706; died October 5th, 1707, at Bristol, R. I.

+185 ii. Bethiah,[5] b. Saturday A. M., December 5th, 1702; died ——; married, first, Nicholas Bragg; second, Simon (or Simeon) Davis; (third, Daniel Green?)

+186 iii. Mercy (or Mary[5]), b. January 27th, 1704; died ——; married, first, George Pierce (Pearse or Pearce); second, Isaac Martindale.

187 iv. Elizabeth, 1st,[5] b. May 15, 1707; died ——, 1707; in infancy, at Bristol, R. I., and was buried there. No issue.

+188 v. Elizabeth, 2nd,[5] b. July 17th, 1709; died ——; married Otis Little.

+189 vi. Sarah,[5] b. April 10th (or 30th), 1711; died ——; married Isaac Lawton.

190 vii. Jabez,[5] born July 20th, 1713; died May ——, 1739, at sea; marriage intention published 11th of 3rd month, 1738, with Mary Green, of Warwick, R. I., said to have left no issue.

+191 viii. Patience, 2nd,[5] born March 23rd, 1716-17; died ——; married Samuel Barker.

192 ix. Thomas,[5] born February 5th, 1719-20; died ——; said to have left no issue, and I have obtained no record of his marriage.

At the Easter meeting, 1724, the first vestry meeting of St. Michael's P. E. Church at Bristol, R. I., Jabez[4] Howland was elected a vestry man and Senior Warden of that church. In front of the old wooden church which was burned on December 5th, 1858, there stood an old slate gravestone which marked the resting-place of Patience, wife of Jabez[4] Howland. This stone was thus inscribed:

"Ye body of Patience, ye wife of Jabez Howland, died October 23, 1721, aged 52, being ye first interred in St. Michael's churchyard."

This stone also bore the following epitaph:

"The Dame who takes her rest within this tomb,
Had Rachel's comely face and Leah's fruitful womb,
Abigail's wisdom, Lydia's purer heart,
Martha's just care and Mary's better part."

From the *Vital Records of R. I.*, vol. vi., p. 28, we obtain the following extract:

Jabez Howland, of Bristol, and Mary Green, of *Warren,* published their intention to marry in Bristol, March 11th, 1727. This may have been the above Jabez[4] Howland who intended to marry a second time, but I have found no record of the actual marriage; it could hardly have been Jabez[5] Howland (Jabez[4]) who was the contracting party as at the date, March 11th, 1727, he was only 14 years of age.

We have also the published intention of marriage of Jabez Howland and Mary Green, of Warwick, R. I., 11-3, 1738. This was undoubtedly Jabez[5] Howland (Jabez[4]). I think that these two entries in the original records were duplicates of the same publication and that in transcription the date March 11th, 1727, was incorrectly copied 1727, being in the original record 1737; if this were the case it would read March 11th, 1737, which was old style for the year and would be March 11th, 1738, New Style; and this would be 11-3-1738, agreeing with the second record, the name *Warren* being also incorrectly transcribed for Warwick.

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67. JOSIAH[4] HOWLAND (Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Plymouth, Mass., August 6th (or 1st), 1676; died at Bristol, R. I., February 8th, 1717, and was buried there. He was a blacksmith and inn-keeper at Bristol, R. I. He married at ——; date of marriage 24-11-1709, to Yetmercy Shove (mentioned in her father's will), born at Taunton, Mass., November 7th, 1682; died at ——; date of death——; she survived her husband and kept up the inn. She was a daughter of Rev. George Shove (who was ordained at Taunton, Mass., November 16, 1665, and who died April 21st, 1687), and his second wife Hannah (Bacon) Walley, who died September (or December) 22nd, 1685, and who was a daughter of Nathaniel Bacon and widow of Thomas Walley.

Children: 6 (Howland), 3 sons and 3 daughters (probably all born at Bristol, R. I.).

+193 i. Yetmercy,[5] born March 11th, 1712-13; died August 8th, 1737; married, first, Isaac Palmer, and second, Nathaniel Howland.

194 ii. Elizabeth,[5] born ——; died ——.

195 iii. John,[5] born ——; died ——.

196 iv. Samuel,[5] born ——; died ——.

197 v. Patience,[5] born ——; died ——.

198 vi. Josiah,[5] born April 9th, 1717; baptized 5-8-1722; died February 6th, 1748, at Bristol, R. I.

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68. JOHN[4] HOWLAND (Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev Peter[1]), born Plymouth, Mass., July 26th, 1679; he died at ——; date of death ——; previous to May 15th, 1748, as his brother Samuel[4] Howland administered on his estate on that date. *Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth*, p. 150, states that this John[4] Howland married Martha Wardwell. This statement I think is in error. First because at the date of the record of marriage, October 24th, 1736, John[4] Howland would have been 57 years old, which, while not impossible, is rather improbable for a first marriage, and no other marriage of his has been discovered by me after a somewhat exhaustive search. Secondly, because John[5] Howland (son of Samuel[4] Howland), who was born September 27th, 1713, was of a suitable marriageable age on October 24th, 1736, to be the John Howland who married Martha Wardwell, and moreover because this John[5] Howland's three sisters, Phebe,[5] Mary[5] and Mehitable[5] Howland all married brothers of Martha Wardwell, thus showing a strong tendency of this generation and family of Howlands and Wardwells to intermarry; and the entries of the record of the marriages of John,[5] Phebe,[5] Mary[5] and Mehitable[5] Howland occur also in the books in such a manner as to suggest them to have been of one family while not specifically so stating.

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71. DEACON SAMUEL[4] HOWLAND (Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., May 16th, 1686; died at Bristol, R. I., May 15th, 1748; he resided at Bristol, R. I., joined the Congregational Church there August 1st, 1708; he was Justice of the Peace, 1740, and also Town Clerk of Bristol and a school teacher and a Deacon in the Congregational Church. He was married, first, at Bristol, R. I., by the Rev. Mr. Spar-

hawk, on May 6th, 1708, to Abigail Carey. She was born at Bristol, R. I., August 31st, 1684, and was a member of the Congregational Church there, June 29th, 1707; she died at Bristol, R. I., August 6th, 1737, aged 53, and was buried at Bristol. She was a daughter of John and Abigail (——) Carey, who came from Bridgewater, Mass., and settled in Bristol, R. I.

Children: 8 (Howland), 3 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Bristol, R. I.

+199 i. Samuel,[5] born April 3rd, 1709; died ——; married, first, Lucie Smith; second, Abigail Moon.

+200 ii. Abigail,[5] born October 18th, 1710; died August 8th, 1737; married Israel Church.

+201 iii. John,[5] born September 27th, 1713; died August 21st, 1786; married Martha Wardwell.

+202 iv. Tabitha,[5] born January 13th, 1715-16; died ——; married, first, Nathaniel Carey; second, John Peckham.

203 v. Seth,[5] born July 9th, 1719; died August 6th, 1719, at Bristol, R. I., and was buried there. No issue.

+204 vi. Phebe,[5] born March 9th, 1720-21; died November 30th, 1794; married Joseph Wardwell.

+205 vii. Mary,[5] born March 18th, 1722-23; died ——; married William Wardwell.

+206 viii. Mehitable,[5] born February 1st, 1724-25; died February 13, 1764; married Stephen Wardwell.

Samuel[4] Howland married a second time at ——; date of marriage ——; intention published at Bristol, R. I., February 18th, 1741-2, and at Barrington, R. I., February 19th, 1741-2, to "Madame" Rachel Allen, of Barrington, R. I. (widow of Samuel Allen). She died at Barrington, R. I., January 25th, 1744-5, and was buried at Barrington, gravestone. By this marriage we have the record of no children.

Samuel[4] Howland from 1709 to 1712 was a school teacher in Bristol, Mass., at a salary of £40 a year, and was the Town Clerk there for many years. On January 27th, 1746-7, Bristol, Mass., became a part of Rhode Island and on February 10th, 1746-7, he was chosen Town Clerk of Bristol, R. I.

The following is the inscription on the gravestone of the second wife of Samuel[4] Howland, which stone marks her grave in the burying ground in the woods on the hill in Barrington, R. I.: "In memory of Mrs. Rachel Howland, ye wife of Samuel Howland, who departed this life January ye 25th, 1744-5, on or about ye 64th year of her age." Her will was dated January, 1744, and refers to her as the wife of Samuel of *Barrington,* R. I., and in said will she gives to Samuel Allen the sword and gun, etc., of my former husband, Samuel Allen, to whom she also gives one silver tankard.

Samuel[4] Howland administered on the estate of his brother John[4] Howland.

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73. JOSEPH[4] HOWLAND (Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Bristol, R. I., October 14th, 1692; baptized 8-9-1695, at First Congregational Church, Bristol, R. I.; he resided at Bristol, R. I., and possibly at Newport, R. I. He died at ——; date of death, August 16th, 1737; he married at ——; date of marriage, 1712 about, to Bathsheba Carey. She was born at Providence, R. I., August 14th, 1693; before marriage she resided at Swansea, Mass.; she died at ——, 16-8-1775. She was a daughter of David and Elizabeth (——) Carey, of Providence, R. I.

Children: 3 (Howland), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Bristol, R. I.

207 i. Lydia,[5] born November 6th, 1715; died ——; married Edward Belcher, of Newport, R. I., 22-6-1747.

+208 ii. Joseph,[5] born December 6th, 1717; died March ——, 1775; married Sarah Barker.

209 iii. Elizabeth,[5] born February 14th, 1719-20; died ——; married at Newport, R. I., November 3rd, ——, to Constant Taber, of Newport, R. I., by whom she had one son, Constant[6] Taber, born ——; died ——; aged 83; this child was living in Newport, R. I., in 1816.

FIFTH GENERATION.

75. THANKFUL[5] THACHER (Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, January 13th, 1693-4; died at Yarmouth, Mass., February 9th, 1768, and was buried in old Cemetery at Yarmouth probably; no gravestone. She was married at Yarmouth, August 2nd (or 24th), 1716, by Hon. Peter[4] Thacher, Esq. (her father), to John Hallett. He was born in Yarmouth, ——, 1688 (see age at death and date of death); he resided at Yarmouth, where he built a large mansion which in 1888 was occupied by the widow Elizabeth Gorham and Howard Crowell. He was sheriff and a man of note; Rep. to Gen. Court, 1741-5, and Selectman of Yarmouth from 1741 for 13 years; he died at Yarmouth, April 8th, 1765, aged 77, or "in his 78th year," and was buried in old Cemetery, Yarmouth, where a stone marks his grave. He was a son of John[3] Hallett (Andrew,[2] Andrew[1]), and his wife, Mary (Howes) Hallett, of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 3 (Hallett), 2 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Yarmouth.

+210 i. Mary,[6] born December 17th, 1717; died August 19th, 1741; m. Isaac Gorham.

+211 ii. John,[6] born August 9th, 1719; d. February 14th, 1760; m. Rebecca Hallett.

+212 iii. Peter,[6] born October 7th, 1721; died February ——, 1794; m. first, Eunice Allen; second, Sarah Snow; third, Lydia Bearse.

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78. SARAH[5] THACHER (Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, February 2nd, 1708-9; died at Barnstable, Mass., presumably, although I have no record of her gravestone. She was married at Yarmouth, presumably, on September 12th, 1727 (the year date is given incorrectly as 1737 in *Allen's Thacher Genealogy* and *Otis' Barnstable Families*) to George Lewis. He was born at Barnstable, April 5th, 1704; he resided at Barnstable, where he was a hard-working industrious man, not distinguished in public life; he died at Barnstable, date of death ——, will dated July 19th, 1757, and he was probably buried in Barnstable, but I have no record of his gravestone. He was a son of Ebenezer Lewis and his first wife, Anna (Lothrop) Lewis, who resided at Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 12 (Lewis), 4 sons and 8 daughters, all born in Barnstable.

+213 i. Annah,[6] born December 9th, 1728; died ——; married Nathaniel Gorham.

214 ii. Thankful, 1st,[6] born January 10th, 1729; died March 16th, 1729, at Barnstable and was buried there.

+215 iii. John,[6] born October 5th, 1731; died ——; married Deborah Phinney.

216 iv. Thankful, 2nd,[6] born April 6th, 1734; died ——. I know nothing more of her.

+217 v. Sarah,[6] born July 31st, 1737; died June 23rd, 1785; m. Otis Loring.

218 vi. Temperance, 1st,[6] born August 25th, 1739; died September 4th, 1739, at Barnstable and was buried there.

+219 vii. George,[6] born April 9th, 1741; died July 24th, 1819; married, first, Mary Davis, and second, Desire Parker.

220 viii. Temperance, 2nd,[6] born June 13th, 1743; died June 4th, 1744, at Barnstable and was buried there.

+221 ix. Josiah,[6] born April 29th, 1745; died ——; married ——?

222 x. Temperance, 3rd,[6] born October 20th, 1747; died ——. I know nothing more of her.

+223 xi. Susannah,[6] born September 5th (or 26th), 1749; died September 25th, 1841; married Jonathan Davis.

224 xii. James,[6] born August ——, 1753; died October 17th, 1773; drowned; not married.

George Lewis, sr. (husband of Sarah[5] Thacher) resided at Barnstable, Mass., in the old dwelling house of his father, Ebenezer Lewis, which was still standing at the time of the writing of the *Amos Otis' Barnstable Families.* He was a hard-working, industrious man, not distinguished in public life. His children probably inherited the energy and decision which characterized them from their mother. In his time the garden and grounds of Frederick W. Crocker, deceased, in front of his house, was a thick and almost impenetrable swamp. He was called Junior all his life to distinguish him from his Uncle George Lewis, who outlived him 12 years. In his will, dated July 19, 1757, he mentions his daughters Annah Gorham, Sarah Loring, Temperance and Susannah Lewis, and his sons John (Executor), George, Josiah and James, his wife Sarah and his father Ebenezer. The inventory of his estate amounted to £284-6-2.

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79. TEMPERANCE[5] THACHER (Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, September 16th, 1711; died at West Barnstable, Mass., July 11th, 1736, aged 24, and was buried at West Barnstable. She married at Yarmouth, presumably on July 24th (or June 1st), 1734, to Seth Crocker (as his second wife). He was b. at Barnstable, Mass., June 13th, 1708; he resided at West Barnstable until about 1781, when he removed to Lee, Mass.; he died at West Barnstable, Mass., March 25th, 1770, aged 62 and was buried there. He was a son of Thomas Crocker (born May 28th, 1671; died April ——, 1728; married March 25th, 1696), and Hannah (Green) Crocker, of Boston, (born ——, 1675; died January 23rd, 1728-9), who resided at West Barnstable, Mass.

Child: 1 (Crocker), son, born at West Barnstable, Mass.

+225 i. Thomas,[6] born June 8th, 1735; died July 5th, 1796; married Mercy Hamblin.

Seth Crocker married, first, April 16th, 1730, to Joanna Leavet, born ——, 1712; died at West Barnstable, August 4th, 1732, aged

20, and was buried there; she left one child, Hannah Crocker, born July 18th, 1732, baptized July 23rd, 1732, which child was feeble minded. Seth Crocker married a third time in 1742, to Abigail Blish(daughter of Joseph Blish and Hannah (Child) Blish), born at Barnstable, November 29th, 1705, and died at Lee, Mass., April 10th, 1795, "in her 90th year," and was buried in Lee, Mass.; gravestone.

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80. LIEUT. PETER[5] THACHER (Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, August 24th, 1712; he resided at Yarmouth, Mass., where he was a selectman from 1729 for four years and a Lieutenant in the Militia; he died at Yarmouth, August 22nd, 1775 (Town Records), or August 21st, 1775 (gravestone), in his 63rd year and was buried in Old Cemetery, Yarmouth, where gravestone marks his grave. He was married at Yarmouth, Mass., by Hon. Peter[4] Thacher, his father, Justice of the Peace, on October 24th, 1734 (1735 according to *Hinckley's Barnstable Records*, N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc., which is probably incorrect, on account of date of birth of his first child), to Anner Lewis, born at Barnstable, February 3rd, 1715-16; died at Yarmouth, January 17th, 1784, and was buried there in Old Cemetery. She was a daughter of George Lewis (born ——, 1673; died November ——, 1769, in 96th year; buried in Old Burying Ground; married June 14th, 1711, by Col. John Otis), and Alice Crocker (born December 25th, 1679, at Barnstable; died February 3rd (or 23rd), 1718, aged 39, daughter of Josiah Crocker), of Barnstable, Mass. George Lewis and his wife lived at Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 11 (Thacher), 7 sons and 4 daughters, all born in Yarmouth.

+226 i. Josiah,[6] born July 22 (or 25th), 1735 or 1736; died October 5th, 1799 (or 1800); married, first, Elizabeth Hamblin; second, Elizabeth Lothrop.

+227 ii. Peter,[6] born November 25th, 1737; died September 21st (or 27th), 1802; married Betty Howes.

+228 iii. Temperance,[6] born February 22nd (or 25th), 1739-40; died ——, 1805; married John Hedge.

229 iv. Lewis, 1st,[6] born March 15th, 1741-2; died November 24th, 1742, aged 8 mos., at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

230 v. Lewis, 2nd,[6] still born, about 1743.

231 vi. Thankful,[6] born February 28th, 1744-5; died March 5th, 1764, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there. Not married. No issue.

232 vii. Anner,[6] born July 2nd, 1747; died August 9th, 1748, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there; died in infancy; no issue.

+233 viii. Sarah,[6] born June 5th, 1749; died January 28th, 1808-9; married Isaac Gorham.

234 ix. Lewis, 3rd,[6] born November 23rd, 1751; died November 7th, 1778, aged 27, at Yarmouth, Mass., and is buried there. Not married. His will is recorded at Barnstable.

+235 x. George,[6] born April 12th, 1754; died April 6th, 1824; married Sarah Savage.

+236 xi. Thomas,[6] born January 20th, 1757; died February 24th, 1806-7; married Mary Churchill.

The will of Lieut. Peter[5] Thacher, dated November 14th, 1772, and probated September 27th, 1775, mentions son Peter, who received "little gun and cain"; grandson Peter Thacher "silver buttons on my jaccoat"; grandson John Hedge "silver Buttons on my breeches"; Peter Lewis, son of John Lewis, "one good ewe sheep"; children Josiah, Thomas, Lewis, Sarah and George and Temperance Hedge, son-in-law John Hedge. Josiah[6] Thacher, son of Lieut. Peter[5] Thacher, was made guardian of his youngest brother Thomas[6] Thacher; and in his accounting is this item: "To one pair of trowsers when you went privateering." George Lewis willed to his daughter Anner (wife of Lieut. Peter[5] Thacher) a room in his house in Barnstable which he called his study. Amos Otis says that Hon. Peter[4] Thacher used to occupy this room as his office during the sessions of the Court at Barnstable.

In her will Anner (Lewis) Thacher mentions her grandson, Lewis Thacher, to whom she gives her "assembly notations"; she also mentions Benjamin Lothrop Thacher and Joseph Lewis Thacher.

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83. REBECCA[5] THACHER (Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, date of birth ——. She was admitted to Second Church at Yarmouth, August 6th, 1727, and was on list of communicants at Brattle Street Church, Boston, December 5th, 1736, from East Yarmouth, Mass.; she died at —— (Boston, probably), date of death ——(subsequent to 1736). She was married at —— (Yar-

mouth, probably, although we have no record thereof); date of marriage ——, 1716, about (between October 1st, 1716, and December 12th, 1717), to John Paddock. He was born at Yarmouth, June 24th, 1695; he lived at Yarmouth (East Parish); he was admitted to Second Church, Yarmouth, August 6th, 1727, and on June 16th, 1729, he was on a committee to locate meeting house in Wellfleet (then Eastham); he died at —— (East Yarmouth, probably), September 30th, 1732, "in his 38th year," and was buried at East Dennis, Mass., in the Paddock Burying Ground. He was a son of Captain John Paddock (born May 5, 1669; died February 18th, 1717, in 49th year; marriage pub. ——, 1694; son of Zachariah Paddock and Deborah (Sears) Paddock) and Priscilla Hall (born February ——, 1671; died January 2nd, 1724, in her 57th year; daughter of John and Priscilla (Bearse) Hall), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 9 (Paddock), 3 sons and 6 daughters, all born in Yarmouth, Mass.

237 i. Anna, 1st,[6] born September 23rd, 1717; died January 31st, 1718, aged 4 mos., at Yarmouth, and was probably buried in Paddock Burying Ground, East Dennis.

+238 ii. Anna, 2nd,[6] born November 2nd, 1718; died ——; married Benjamin Hawes.

239 iii. Mercy, 1st,[6] born June 8th, 1720; died November 20th, 1728, aged 8 yrs., 5 mos., at Yarmouth, and was probably buried in Paddock Burying Ground, at East Dennis.

240 iv. Elizabeth, 1st,[6] born April 16th, 1722; died April 2nd, 1725, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried in Paddock Burying Ground, at East Dennis.

241 v. John,[6] born March 9th, 1723-4; died ——.

242 vi. Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] born April 25th, 1726; died ——.

+243 vii. Adino,[6] born March 14th, 1727-8; died March 25th, 1804; married Lydia Snelling.

+244 viii. Enoch,[6] born March 18th, 1728-9; died ——; married Martha Dickinson.

245 ix. Mercy, 2nd,[6] born March 29th, 1732; died April 6th, 1742, aged 10 years, at Boston, Mass., and was probably buried at East Dennis, in Paddock Burying Ground.

After the death of her husband, Rebecca[5] Thacher-Paddock removed to Boston and is thought to have lived there in the home of her son-in-law, Benjamin Hawes, whose name is next below hers in the list of communicants in the Brattle Street Church, Boston, under date of January 2nd, 1737. Samuel P. May, in his *Sears' Genealogy*, states that John Paddock married a second time to Hannah ——, but later discovered his error; and to his careful research I am indebted for the whole of the above record. The

John Paddock who married Hannah —— (which Hannah Paddock was admitted to Second Church, Yarmouth, December 3rd, 1738), may have been John[6] Paddock (No. 241 above); I am not positive in this suggestion, as I have no more definite information concerning him than I have given above.

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84. MARY[5] THACHER (Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, date of birth ——; she was admitted to church at Harwich, March 14th, 1721; dismissed to Mr. Dennis' church December 8th, 1734, but her name is not recorded at the latter church; she was dismissed to church at Norwalk, Conn., March 28th, 1736; she died at Norwalk, Conn., date of death ——; her son Isaac administered on her estate July 25th, 1761; she was buried presumably at Norwalk, Conn., in Pine Island Burying Ground, where an unmarked mound exists between the grave of her husband and that of her son Nathaniel; she married at Yarmouth, Mass., September 17th, 1719, to Joshua Sears. He was born at Harwich, Mass., May 3rd, 1697; he lived in Harwich, Mass., and West Brewster, Mass., and removed to and settled in Norwalk, Conn., about 1734; he died at Norwalk, Conn., July 21st, 1754, in his 58th year, and was buried there in Pine Island Burying Ground, where a blue stone gravestone marks his resting-place. He was a son of Samuel Sears (born Yarmouth, Mass., last of January, 1663-4; died West Brewster, Mass., January 8th, 1741-2, in his 78th year; gravestone West Brewster, Mass.), and of Mercy Lumpkin-Mayo (born ——; died January 20, 1748-9, in 84th year; gravestone West Brewster, Mass.; widow of Deacon Samuel Mayo, of Boston, Mariner), who resided at West Brewster, Mass.

Children: 9 (Sears), 7 sons and 2 daughters, first 7 born in West Brewster, Mass., 8th and 9th born in Norwalk, Conn.

246 i. Josiah,[6] born June 14th, 1720, baptized May 21st, 1721; died about 1761; married Sarah ——; his will was administered upon by his wife, July 6, 1761.

247 ii. Nathaniel, 1st,[6] born July 21st, 1722; baptized August 19th, 1722; died January 4th, 1724-5, at West Brewster, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone.

+248 iii. Joshua,[6] born May 15th, 1724; died ——; married Rachel Marvin.

+249 iv. Nathaniel, 2nd,[6] born ——; baptized April 20th, 1725-6; died December 19th, 1752, "in 22nd year;" married Ruth Raymond.

250 v. Mary,[6] born ——; baptized April 25th, 1728; died ——; married —— Ketchum.

+251 vi. Isaac,[6] born ——, 1730; baptized July 12th, 1730; died October 28th, 1786; married Sarah Drake.

+252 vii. Phebe,[6] born ——; baptized April 8th, 1733; died December 8th, 1807; married, first, Antony Squire; married, second, Thaddeus Hubbell.

253 viii. John,[6] born ——; died ——; mentioned in his father's will, dated 1754.

254 ix. Anthony,[6] born ——; died ——; mentioned in his father's will, dated 1754.

Joshua Sears, sr., about 1719, built his house where he lived in West Brewster, at Bound Brook, nearly opposite the ancient Sears' Burying Ground; and there in the lower south end room the first seven (7) of his children, including Isaac[6] Sears, the famous "Liberty Boy" of Revolutionary War fame, were born.

He removed to Norwalk, Conn., about 1734 (not 1724 as stated by E. H. Sears in his *Sears' Genealogy,* published in 1857); and was dismissed from church in Harwich to the church in Norwalk, Conn., March 28th, 1736.

In 1732 Joshua Sears purchased from his brother-in-law, Josiah[5] Thacher, jr., one acre of the so-called "Home Lot," situated on Washington Avenue, South Norwalk, Conn., and marked on Hall's Norwalk plan of that town with the names of C. Raymond and W. Raymond; and in the house which he built upon this ground he lived until his death. The house of his great-granddaughter, Mrs. Charles Raymond, had, for foundation, stones taken from the old homestead of Joshua Sears.

The Thacher (Josiah[5]) house stood where the "Pottery" is marked on Hall's map of Norwalk.

Joshua Sears possessed other lands in Norwalk which at various times he deeded to his children, amongst which was land at "Old Well," now South Norwalk, deeded to sons Nathaniel and Joshua, jr.

Family tradition relates that he was an excellent man, a prominent citizen, occupying various positions in the gift of the town, a good husband and a generous father. He is said to have been "an oysterman" and to have sold fish and oysters about Norwalk. This statement was given me by S. P. May, Esq., on the authority of Judge Jones (?) *History of New York,* but Mr. May thinks the statement an unauthorized one. Joshua Sears, sr., was buried in Pine Island Cemetery, Norwalk, Conn., a blue stone marking his grave; near by his grave is a similar memorial to his son Nathaniel, and a nameless mound between the graves of father and son is supposed to be the unmarked grave of Mary[5] (Thacher) Sears, his widow and the mother of his children. His will was

dated June 11th, 1754, and was proved October 15th, 1754; in it are mentioned his wife Mary, and his children, Josiah, Mary Ketchum, Phebe Squire, Joshua, Isaac, John and Anthony; and his grandsons, Nathaniel and Thacher. The estate was appraised at £1640.

In the *Sears' Genealogy,* by Rev. E. H. Sears, Joshua Sears' wife is erroneously stated to have been "Mercy, daughter of John[3] Thacher." She was, as we have above and previously stated, Mary, daughter of Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher. No record of her death has been discovered by me, but her estate was administered upon by her son Isaac, July 25th, 1761.

The following deed of land from Joshua Sears to his brother-in-law, Josiah Thacher, shows one of his earlier land transactions and fixes the relationship of Mary, his wife, to Josiah[5] Thacher of Norwalk, viz:

"Know all men by these presents that I, Joshua Sears of ye town of Norwalk, in ye County of Fairfield, and Colony of Connecticut in New England, for and in consideration of ye sum of seventy-five pounds, four shillings and three pence, money received to my full satisfaction of my *brother-in-law* Josiah Thacher of ye aforesaid town and county, have given and granted and by these presents do give, grant, bargain and sell and confirm with ye said Josiah Thacher, his heirs and assigns, viz: one acre, three roods and five rods of land precise measure as it lyes undivided with my land, in that parcel of land I bought of James Hoyt, lying in ye field on ye west side of Norwalk Harbor, the whole of said piece of land besides three Roods I sold to Thomas Raymond, contains three acres, three roods and twelve rods, and bounded north by said Thomas Raymond's land. East by said Raymond's and my own land, West and South by Highway.

"Also two roods and one rod of land precise measure of that three roods of land I bought of Thomas Raymond; said two roods and one rod is bounded North by said Thomas Raymond's land, East ye Bank, south ye said Thacher's land and West my own land."

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Date, Nov. 18, 1735. (sgd) Joshua Sears.
Witnesses: John Copp, John Rowe.
Recorded: Nov. 18, 1735, per John Copp, Register. See Land Records, Norwalk, Conn., Book No. 8, folio 11.

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85. ELISHA[5] THACHER (Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., ——, 1698, see age at death and date of death; he resided at Yarmouth, and Barnstable, Mass., died at Barnstable, December 6th, 1774, "in the 76th year of his age," and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill

West Burying Ground, Barnstable, gravestone; he was a yoeman, carpenter and boat builder; held office of hogreeve in 1765. He married at Barnstable, Mass. (presumably); date of marriage ——, to Phebe Lothrop, born ——, 1701; baptized Barnstable, Mass., July 20, 1701; died March 12th, 1785, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying Ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Capt. John Lothrop, and his second wife, Hannah (——) Fuller (wid. of Dr. John Fuller), whom he married December 9th, 1698, of Barnstable.

Children: 9 (Thacher), 5 sons and 4 daughters.

+255 i. Desire,[6] born April 15th, 1722; died ——; married Capt. William Taylor.

256 ii. Anthony, 1st,[6] born May 6th (16th or 17th), 1724; died August 29th, 1742, aged 18 yrs., 3 mos., 12 days, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill, East Burying Ground, where a gravestone marks his resting-place thus inscribed: "Here lyes ye body of Anthony Thacher, son of Mr. Elisha Thacher and Mrs. Phebe Thacher, who died August 29th, 1742, aged 18 yrs., 3 mos. and 12 da." He was not married. According to his gravestone, he was born May 17th, 1724.

257 iii. Phebe,[6] born March 7th (10th or 14th), 1726-7; d. September 24th, 1742, aged 15 yrs. 6 mos., 14 days, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill, East Burying Ground, where a gravestone marks her resting-place, thus inscribed: "Here lyes ye body of Phebe Thacher, daughter of Mr. Elisha Thacher and Mrs. Phebe Thacher, who died September 24th, 1742, aged 15 yrs., 6 mos. and 14 da." She was not married. According to her gravestone, she was born March 10th, 1727.

+258 iv. John,[6] born September 1st, 1730; died ——, before June 11th, 1770, it is thought, as his father's will made on that day makes no mention of him or of any wife or children belonging to him.

+259 v. Mary,[6] born March 7, 1731-2; died ——; married Ebenezer Gorham.

+260 vi. Elisha,[6] born May 8th, 1734; died January 14th, 1795; married, first, Abigail Webb; married, second, Mary Given (or Grove).

+261 vii. Lucretia,[6] born April 20th, 1737; died ——; married Joseph Davis.

262 viii. Samuel Sturgis,[6] born November 4th (or 10th), 1741; died February 14th, 1742; aged 3 mos., 4 days, at Barnstable, and buried there in Goodspeed's Hill, East Burying Ground, where a stone

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marks his grave, thus inscribed: "Here lyes ye body of Samuel Sturgis Thacher, son of Mr. Elisha and Mrs. Phebe Thacher who died February 14th, 1741 (42), aged 3 mos. and 4 days." According to his gravestone, he was born November 10th, 1741.

+263 ix. Anthony, 2nd,[6] born June 28th, 1744; died January 18th, 1806; married Elizabeth Taylor.

In Goodspeed's Hill, West Burying Ground, Barnstable, lie buried the remains of Elisha[5] Thacher and his wife Phebe; stones mark their graves, thus inscribed: "In memory of Mr. Elisha Thacher who died December 6th, 1774, in the 76th year of his age."

"In memory of Phebe, widow of Mr. Elisha Thacher; she died March 12th, 1785, in ye 84th year of her age."

The will of Elisha[5] Thacher, dated June 11th, 1770, proved January 20th, 1775, describes him as a yoeman, and mentions his son Anthony who receives carpenter and boat building tools; children Elisha, Desire Taylor, Lucretia Davis, and wife Phebe. He had a shop and his homestead lot is defined. Inventory presented by Elisha[6] and Anthony[6] Thacher, December 9th, 1776, and another paper relating to the estate was presented by Anthony[6] Thacher, July 4th, 1785.

Captain John Lothrop (father-in-law of Elisha[5] Thacher) was born in Barnstable, February 9th, 1644; he married, first, at Plymouth, Mass., January 3rd, 1671-2, to Mary —— (probably daughter of James and Mary (Tilson) Cobb, of Scituate); she was born in Scituate, December 3rd, 1653. His name in the marriage record is given as Laythrope and she is called Mary Colsgain. He married, a second time, December 9th, 1695, Hannah (——) Fuller, widow of Dr. John Fuller. John Lothrop died September 18th (or 27th), 1727, at 11 o'clock A. M., and he is recorded as having been 85 years old in the Barnstable Church Records. On Mr. Otis' authority, we know that he was a man of note among the seafaring men of the coast in those early times, sailing as Captain in command of his own vessel.

In the New Haven, Conn. records is found this evidence of his occupation:

"These certify I received on board ye *Swan,* John Lothrop, master, 8 bbls. pork, 48 bushels wheat of Samuel Hemmingway of New Haven, for use of Captain Elisha Hutchinson of Boston, and doe promise to deliver ye same on paying freight 8^{sh} per barrel and 6^{d} per bushel.

"April 1st, 1691. (sgd) Jo. Lothrop."

John Lothrop's will (Book iv., p. 407, *Barnstable Probate Records*) is dated March 9th, 1726-7, and was proved February 9th, 1727-8. It names as legatees his wife Hannah, his son John's son Joseph, the children of his daughter, Mary Howland, and those of his daughter, Elizabeth Lewis, and his sons Barnabas and Benjamin. His son Barnabas and his wife Hannah, executors.

Hannah Lothrop's (widow of John) will bears date October 7th, 1738 (Book v., p. 362) and was proved October 19th, 1738; she mentions as legatees son Benjamin, the heirs of John Fuller, deceased, grandson John Lothrop, daughter Reliance Prince, daughter Bashua Webb and daughter Phebe Thacher. Executor, son-in-law Elisha Thacher.

Hannah (widow of John) Lothrop was the second wife of Dr. John Fuller (son of Matthew Fuller), and had by him Bethia, born December ——, 1687; John, born October ——, 1689; and Reliance, born September 8th, 1691. These names make the names in the will understandable.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

86. CAPTAIN JOSIAH[5] THACHER (Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., July 7th, 1701; he resided at Yarmouth, Mass., and Norwalk, Conn.; he was a Sea Captain engaged in the coast trade, and a man of affairs in Norwalk; he died at Norwalk, Conn., August 22nd, 1780, "Tuesday at 8 hours and 44 minutes in the morning." He was buried, presumably, at East Norwalk, Conn., between the graves of his two wives; no stone marks his grave, but the space left between his wives' graves suggests his interment there. He married, first, at Norwalk, Conn. (according to *Selleck's Norwalk*), on February 17th, 1724, to Ann Burne (Burr, Bun or Bunce; probably Burr, according to *Allen's Thacher Genealogy*, p. 42). She was born at —— on March 25th, 1699, and died at Norwalk, Conn., February 25th, 1733-4, "between 9 and 10 at night, aged 34," and was buried in East Norwalk Cemetery, where a stone marks her resting-place. Her place of residence before marriage and her parentage is unknown. Capt. Josiah[5] Thacher was married a second time, at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Sam'l Checkley, of the New South Church, on August 7th (or September 15th), 1735, to Mary (Greenleaf) Blinn (daughter of Rev. Daniel Greenleaf of Yarmouth and Boston, Mass., by his wife Elizabeth (Gooking) Greenleaf; and widow of James Blinn, whom she married March 16th, 1725). She was born at Cambridge, Mass., August 29th (or September 25th), 1706, and died at Norwalk, Conn., April 2nd (or 6th), 1744, and was buried at Norwalk, Conn., in East Norwalk Cemetery where a stone marks her grave.

Children by first marriage: 4 (Thacher), 1 son and 3 daughters, all born at Norwalk, Conn.

264 i. Ann, 1st,[6] born July 4th, 1726, "Monday morning at ½ past one o'clock"; died June 15th, 1727, in infancy; buried at Norwalk, Conn., presumably; no gravestone.

+265 ii. Josiah,[6] born February 15th, 1728-9, "at about 5 o'clock Saturday morning"; died March 9th, 1807, Monday; married, first, Mary Fitch; married, second, widow Wait Burwell.

+266 iii. Ann, 2nd,[6] born April 10th, 1731, "about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon"; died ——, 1805; married Isaac Hayes, 3rd.

+267 iv. Mary,[6] born September 14th, 1733, "Friday at 1 o'clock in the morning"; died ——; married, first, Stephen Davis; married, second, —— Hoyt.

Children by second marriage 6: (Thacher), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born in Norwalk, Conn.

268 v. Elizabeth, 1st,[6] born April 25th, 1737; died September 5th, 1743, at Norwalk, Conn., and was buried there in East Norwalk Cemetery, where a stone marks her grave, thus inscribed: "Elizabeth Thacher, daughter of Mr. Josiah and Mrs. Mary Thacher, died September 5th, 1743, aged 6 yrs., 4 mos. and 10 days."

+269 vi. Daniel,[6] born June 29th, 1739, Friday; died November 17th, 1776; married Mary Street.

+270 vii. John,[6] born July 25th, 1742; died January 16th, 1805; married, first, Ann Perry; married, second, Mehitable (Uffoot) Thompson.

+271 viii. Hannah,[6] born ——; died ——; married John Banks.

+272 ix. Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] born ——; died ——; married, first, Thomas Hill; married, second, John Blackleach.

+273 x. Stephen Greenleaf,[6] born ——; died ——, aged 34; married Anna Platt.

Captain Josiah[5] Thacher was a mariner in the coasting trade between Boston and Cape Cod and along Long Island Sound. He lived in Yarmouth, Mass., until about 1725 when he acquired land in Norwalk, Conn., from Alexander Ressiquie. The deed of this transfer of land is to be found in *Norwalk Land Records,* Vol. V., folio 285; it is dated December 22nd, 1725, but is recorded of date December 31st, 1724; and in said deed Josiah Thacher is described as being of "Yarmouth in Barnstable County in Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England." By this deed he acquired a house lot of three acres. The place of the first marriage of Josiah[5] Thacher is not a matter of record, but Selleck, in his *History of Norwalk,* states that it took place in Norwalk, Conn. The maiden surname of his first wife is variously stated by different authorities as being Burne, Burr, Bun, or Bunce. His family Bible and *Free-*

man's Cape Cod, however, specifically state that her maiden surname was Burne, and I have therefore so recorded it. Where his first wife lived at the time of her marriage or where she was born or who were her parents is not a matter of record. In the East Norwalk Cemetery there is a gravestone to her memory thus inscribed:—"Here lyes buried the body of Mrs. Ann Thacher, wife to Mr. Josiah Thacher, aged 34 years and 11 months. Died February ye 25th, 1733-4" (hence she was born March 25th, 1698-99). Alongside of this grave, with a space between sufficient for another grave, is the grave of Josiah[5] Thacher's second wife, which grave is marked by a stone thus inscribed:—"In memory of Mrs. Mary Thacher, wife of Capt. Josiah Thacher, who departed this life April 6th, A. D. 1774, in her 68th year.

Who follow here ye paths of truth
Shall bloom in everlasting youth,
Clad with new glories they shall shine
In charms immortal and divine."

Mary (Greenleaf) Blinn, second wife of Josiah[5] Thacher, was the widow of James Blinn, to whom she was married March 16th, 1725. This James Blinn was probably the son of Mr. Blinn and Margaret Dennis, who were baptized at Milton, Mass., by Rev. Peter[4] Thacher (Rev. Thomas[3]), July 20th, 1701; where this James Blinn lived and died is undetermined. It is stated by some authorities that Mary Greenleaf had 10 children by Mr. Blinn, which statement seems incredible, as she married him March 16th, 1725, and married Josiah[5] Thacher on August 7th (or Sept. 15th), 1735, which would render it necessary for her to have had 10 children in a little over 10 years. Josiah[5] Thacher had 10 children,—4 by his first wife and 6 by his second, and I think the authority above referred to confused the 10 children of Josiah[5] Thacher by his first and second wives, with 10 children supposed to have been born to Mary Greenleaf by her first husband, James Blinn. Wm. F. Boardman, in the *Ancestry of Jane Maria Greenleaf,* states that Mary Greenleaf had 16 children; which would mean that she had 10 by James Blinn and 6 by Josiah[5] Thacher. I am inclined to doubt the existence of these 10 Blinn children, as I have never seen any record of their births or deaths. The place of burial of Josiah[5] Thacher is not positively known; but in the East Norwalk Cemetery between the graves of his first and second wives there is a vacant place where it is presumed he lies buried. No record of his burial exists.

Captain Josiah[5] Thacher died intestate. On September 17th, 1780, the bond of Josiah[6] Thacher, Jr. (the eldest son of the deceased), as administrator of the estate of his father was accepted. In 1782 Josiah[6] Thacher and Eliphalet Lockwood were allowed to sell land on the account of the estate of the late Captain Josiah[5] Thacher. May 6th, 1782, the inventory of Josiah[5] Thacher was filed. This inventory takes up 11 pages of the Fairfield County Records. On November 3rd, 1783, another sale of land on ac-

count of the estate was ordered. November 13th, 1783, the accounts of Josiah[6] Thacher as administrator were allowed. January 16th, 1786, the distribution of the estate was ordered. August 6th, 1790 distribution of said estate was finally allowed and ordered. In the probate records of Fairfield, Conn., Vol. 1795-1818, p. 678, we find the following record of final distribution:

"We the subscribers being by the Honorable Court of Probate for the District of Fairfield appointed to make distribution of the Estate of Josiah Thacher, late of Norwalk, deceased, distributed the same in the following manner, viz:—

				£	sh.	d.
To Josiah Thacher, the eldest son, the orchard and land, etc.				69.	16.	01
To the heirs of Daniel Thacher, son of Josiah, viz:—						
	£	sh.	d.			
Josiah	11.	12.	07			
Daniel Greenleaf	11.	12.	07			
William	11.	12.	07	34.	17.	09
To John Thacher, 260 rods of land at the North end of the Mill Hill lot.				34.	18.	00
To Stephen Greenleaf Thacher 210 rods of land, etc.				34.	18.	00
To Anna Hayes, wife of Isaac Hayes, land, etc.				34.	18.	00
To Mary Davis, wife of Stephen Davis, land, etc.				34.	18.	00
To Hannah Banks, wife of John Banks, land, etc.				28.	14.	02
To Elizabeth Blackleach, wife of John Blackleach, 230 rods of land on Mill Hill, etc.				34.	18.	00

(sgd)
Samuel Grumman
Thomas Belden
Ozias Marvin
Distributors.

Court of Probate, August 6th, 1798, approved, etc.
(Sgd) Samuel Rowland,
Clerk."

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88. HANNAH[5] STURGIS (Rebecca[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., March 3rd, 1693; died at ——, subsequent to 1754 (according to Hon.

George Thacher's MSS. *Genealogy*); married at Yarmouth, Mass., March 9th, 1707-8, to John Matthews of Yarmouth, Mass. He was born at ——, date ——; died at Yarmouth, Mass., January 7th, 1776.

Children: 9 (Matthews), 7 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

274 i. Thomas,[6] born May 4th, 1710.
275 ii. Isaac,[6] born September 4th, 1712; died February 4th, 1790, "in his 79th year."
276 iii. Rebecca,[6] born Nov. 31st, 1714.
277 iv. John,[6] born March 29th, 1717.
278 v. James,[6] born April 11th, 1719.
279 vi. William,[6] born May 24th, 1721.
280 vii. Thankful,[6] born January 9th, 1724-5.
281 viii. David,[6] born May 14th, 1727; died July 10th, 1819, "in his 91st year"; married, first, Sarah ——; married, second, Anna ——.
282 ix. Elisha,[6] born August 7th, 1730; died ——; married Eliza ——.

Children: 4 (Matthews), 2 sons and 2 daughters.

1. James,[7] born March 1st, 1753.
2. Tempe,[7] born ——, 1755.
3. Mary,[7] born ——, 1759.
4. Isaiah,[7] born ——, 1767.

In the settlement of James Sturgis' estate, Hannah Matthews is mentioned as his eldest daughter.

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89. BETHIA[5] STURGIS (Rebecca[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., February 19th, 1695-6; died at Barnstable, Mass., July 11th (or 19th), 1769, aged 73; married, first, at ——, March 16th, 1715-6, to Captain Isaac Freeman, who resided at Yarmouth, Mass., and removed thence to Fairfield, Conn.; he died at Fairfield, Conn., May 21st, 1732, in 46th year, and was buried there; gravestone. He was a son of Lieut. Edward Freeman (born June ——, 1657; died December 10th, 1717), by his second wife, Sarah Mayo (daughter of Samuel Mayo). Edward Freeman lived at Eastham, Mass. Bethia[5] Sturgis-Freeman married, second, ——, 1735, at ——, to Captain Job Gorham as his second wife (his first wife was Desire Dimmock (daughter of Thomas), whom he married December 4th, 1719). He was born at Barnstable, Mass., August 30th, 1692; he resided at Barnstable, Mass., and died there ——, 1762. He was a son of Lieut. Col. John Gorham by his wfe Mercy Otis (daughter of John Otis), who resided at Barnstable, Mass.

Children: first marriage, 4 (Freeman) sons No. i. and ii. born at Yarmouth, Mass., iii., iv. and v. born at Fairfield, Conn.

283 i. Isaac,[6] born ——, 1717-18, about; died ——; married Ann Smethurst.

284 ii. Edmund,[6] born ——, 1720, probably.

285 iii. Rebecca,[6] born ——, 1723-4, probably; baptised Fairfield, Conn., February 2nd, 1723-4.

286 iv. James,[6] born November 5th, 1728; baptised November 10th, 1728, at Fairfield, Conn.; died May 27th, 1763; married Deborah Tasker.

287 v. David,[6] born ——, 1730, probably; baptised July 26th, 1730, at Fairfield, Conn.; died ——, about 1769; married Abigail Davis.

Child by second marriage: 1 (Gorham) daughter, born at Barnstable, Mass.

287½ v. Sarah,[6] born ——; baptised August 18th, 1736; died young.

Captain Isaac Freeman, eldest son of Lieutenant Edmund Freeman of Eastham, removed to Fairfield, Conn., after his marriage, and died there before 1736 (he died actually May 21st, 1732), as appears by the terms of his mother's will. His widow returned to Yarmouth, Mass., and married a second time to Captain Job Gorham of Barnstable, Mass., as his second wife. Mrs. Sarah Freeman, widow of Lieut. Edmund Freeman, died in 1746, and in her will left legacies "to the four sons of my son Isaac, *deceased,*" two of these sons chose on September 24th, 1746, their brother Isaac of Boston as their guardian. Their mother, who had married Job Gorham and again became a widow, died at Barnstable, July 19th (or 11th), 1769, aged 73. She was born February 19th, 1695-6. Mrs. Abigail Freeman, widow of David Freeman, administered on her estate August 8th, 1769. She, Bethia Gorham, had by her second marriage only one child, a daughter Sarah, baptized August 13th, 1736, and who probably died young. Bethia[5] Sturgis was a very attractive young lady possessing both personal and mental charms; her hand was sought by two gentlemen of great respectability, Freeman and Gorham. Both urged their suit earnestly. She had so warm a regard for both of them that in the unsophisticated tenderness of her heart she forbore giving preference to either of them, and left it to the two suitors to decide between themselves. No bloodshed occurred, but Freeman was declared the victor and was rewarded by the hand of the fair Bethia. When she became a widow, she returned to the scene of her youthful conquest and became the second wife of Captain Job Gorham (her first husband's rival), who had in the meantime, on December 4th, 1719, married Desire Dimmock (daughter of Thomas), who had born to him five (5) children, and who died January 28th, 1732-3.

The will of Capt. Job Gorham of Barnstable, Mass., gentleman, is dated September 12th, 1753, and was proved November

2nd, 1762. In it he names his wife Bethia Gorham and daughters Temperance Fuller and Desire Gorham, to whom he gives legacies. All the remainder of his estate he gives to his son Thomas, whom he appoints his executor. Capt. Job Gorham inherited the dwelling house built by his grandfather (Capt. John Gorham) in Barnstable and the lands in its immediate vicinity; and the same was held by his descendants as late as 1888. In 1745 he took down the old mansion and built the one which was standing in 1888 on the same spot. Part of the material of the old house was used in the construction of the new one. Captain Job Gorham's children by his first wife, Desire Dimmock, were as follows:

1. Temperance, born Barnstable, Mass., July 23rd, 1721; married October 29th, 1741, John Fuller, her cousin.
2. Thomas, born Barnstable, Mass., August 13th, 1723; married, first, Hannah Gorham; married, second, Rebecca Jones.
3. Edward, born Barnstable, Mass., Sept. 12th, 1725; died young.
4. Desire, born Barnstable, Mass., March 17th, 1727-8.
5. Job, born Barnstable, Mass., November 6th, 1730; died young.

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91. THANKFUL[5] STURGIS (Rebecca[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., September 2nd, 1701; died at Yarmouth, January 10th, 1721-2, "in her 22nd year," at the birth of her first child; she was buried in Yarmouth in old Cemetery, gravestone; she married at Yarmouth, Mass., February 18th, 1719-20, to Timothy Hallett as his first wife. He was born at Yarmouth, Mass., ——, about 1694, according to his gravestone; he resided at Yarmouth, Mass., in the house owned and occupied by Mr. Eldridge Lovell in 1888; he was a farmer and a very respectable man, and died at Yarmouth, July 7th, 1760, "in his 66th year," and was buried there in old Cemetery, gravestone. He was a son of Jonathan Hallett (born November 20th, 1647; died January 12th, 1716-17, aged 69; married January 30th, 1683-4) and his wife, Abigail (Dexter) Hallett, daughter of Ensign Thomas Dexter, of Sandwich, Mass. (born ——, 1663; died September 2nd, 1715, aged 52), who resided at Yarmouth, Mass.

Child: 1 (Hallett) daughter, born at Yarmouth, Mass.

288 i. (Daughter[6]), born January 10th, 1721-22; died January 10th, 1721-2, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried with her mother in old Cemetery, Yarmouth, gravestone.

Timothy Hallett married a second time about 1724 to Elizabeth[5] Hatch (daughter of Deacon Moses Hatch and Elizabeth[4] (Thacher) Hatch) of Falmouth, Mass.; she died at Yarmouth, Mass., October 23rd, 1744, aged 44, and was buried in old Cemetery, Yarmouth, gravestone; by this marriage Timothy Hallett had 8 children whose records will be found under head of the record of Elizabeth[5] Hatch and her descendants (See No. 108). Timothy Hallett married, third, on May 23rd, 1745, to Thankful Jones of Barnstable, and she died January 24th, 1771, in her 69th year and is buried in old Cemetery, Yarmouth, Mass., gravestone; by this third marriage there were no children.

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92. ELIZABETH[5] STURGIS (Rebecca[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., December ——, 1703; died at Barnstable, Mass., June 6th, 1727, and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground, gravestone; she married at Barnstable, Mass. (February 29th (or 24th, according to *Otis' Barnstable Families*), 1725-6, to Deacon Gershom Davis (as his first wife), born Barnstable, Mass., September 5th, 1702; died at Barnstable, May 6th, 1790, "in his 87th year" and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground, gravestone; he resided at Barnstable; his house stood where subsequently stood Captain Pierce's house at N. W. corner of lot laid out to Thomas Lumbard. He was the son of Joseph Davis, who married March ——, 1695, to Hannah Cobb (she was born Barnstable, March 28th, 1671; died Barnstable, May 3d, 1739, aged 68; daughter of Sergeant James and Sarah (Lewis) Cobb of Barnstable, Mass.).

Child: 1 (Davis) son, born in Barnstable, Mass.

289 i. James,[6] born June 2nd, 1727; died ——; married October 3rd, 1745, to Jean Bacon.
Children: 10 (Davis), 3 sons and 7 daughters, all born in Barnstable, Mass.

1. Elizabeth,[7] born July 2nd, 1746; died young.
2. Elizabeth,[7] born March 25th, 1748.
3. Jean,[7] born April 24th, 1750.
4. Patience,[7] born June 13th, 1752.
5. Desire,[7] born October 22nd, 1754.
6. Joseph,[7] born September 19th, 1757.
7. Robert,[7] born June 30th, 1760.
8. Hannah,[7] born December 19th, 1762.
9. James,[7] born January 19th, 1767.
10. Desire,[7] baptized September 10th, 1772.

Deacon Gershom Davis married a second time September 23rd, 1731, to Mary Hinckley (daughter of Joseph Hinckley of West Barnstable by his wife Mary (Gorham) Hinckley); she was born

February 25th, 1703-4, at West Barnstable, Mass., and died March 31st, 1756, in 53rd year of her age; and by her Deacon Gershom Davis had the following 7 children, who are not of Thacher blood, viz:—

1. Robert, born July 12th, 1732; died December 3rd, 1738, in 7th year of his age.
2. Samuel, born September 13th, 1734; died ——; married Mary Gorham, December 22nd, 1757.
3. Elizabeth, born August 12th, 1736; died ——; married Joseph Crocker, Jr., January 12th, 1758.
4. Mary, born December 5th, 1740; died ——.
5. Abigail, 1st, born September 12th, 1744; died young.
6. Abigail, 2nd, born July 12th, 1746; died ——.
7. Mercy, born February 4th, 1748; died young.

Deacon Gershom Davis married a third time in 1757 to Thankful Skiff of Sandwich, Mass., by whom he had no children.

In Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground, Barnstable, Mass., we find the following gravestone inscriptions:—

"Here lyes ye body of Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, wife to Mr. Gershom Davis, deceased June ye 6th, 1727, in ye 23rd year of her age."

"Here lyes the body of Mrs. Mary Davis, the wife of Mr. Gershom Davis, who died March ye 31st, 1756, in ye 53rd year of her age."

And in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground, we find a stone there inscribed:—

"In Memory of Deacon Gershom Davis; he died April 29th, 1790, in his 87th year."

Note the difference in the dates of his death as given by *Freeman's Cape Cod,* p. 325, and *Otis' Barnstable Families,* May 6th, 1790, and his gravestone, which gives it April 29th, 1790.

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96. REV. THOMAS[5] PAINE (Bethiah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., April 8th, 1694, baptized April 9th, 1694. He resided at Weymouth and Boston, Mass., Halifax, N. S., and Braintree, Mass.; he died at Germantown, near Braintree, Mass., at the home of his daughter, Abigail Greenleaf, May 30th, 1757, aged 63, and was buried at Weymouth, Mass., in Old Cemetery (North). He was a minister of the Gospel, in the shipping trade, a student of law, Harvard College, 1717. He married at Boston, Mass. (by the Rev. Peter[5] Thacher of Boston), April 21st, 1721, to Eunice Treat, born at Eastham, Mass., September 27th, 1704; died at Boston, Mass., October 17th, 1747, aged 42, and was presumably buried at Weymouth, Mass. She was a daughter of Rev. Samuel Treat and his second wife, Abigail (Willard) Estabrook (widow of Benjamin Estabrook and daughter of

Rev. Samuel Willard of Old South Church, Boston), of Eastham, Mass.

Children: 5 (Paine), 3 sons and 2 daughters; first 3 born in Weymouth and last 2 at Boston, Mass.

290 i. Abigail,[6] born March 6th, 1725; died January 15th, 1808 (or 1809), aged 83; married October 17th, 1749, at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Joseph Sewall, D. D., to Joseph Greenleaf (son of Wm. and Mary (Shattuck) Greenleaf, of Boston, Mass.), born November 10th, 1720, at Boston, Mass.; he lived at Abington and Boston, Mass.; he died October 28th, 1810, at Malden, Mass., and was buried in Granary Burying-ground there; he was an author and publisher, Justice of the Peace, and a zealous, patriotic citizen.

Children: 7 (Greenleaf), 2 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Abington, Mass.

1. Abigail, 1st,[7] born ——, 1750; died ——, in infancy.
2. Abigail, 2nd,[7] born February 28th, 1753; died July 8th, 1788; married Rev. Ezra Weld as his third wife.
3. Joseph,[7] born May 28th, 1754; died November, 1771, aged 17 years, 5 months.
4. Thomas,[7] born ——, 1755; died ——, 1798, in New York; married Anna Quackenbos; he was a printer; 4 children.
5. Mary,[7] born ——, 1757; died ——, 1804; married Nathaniel Thwing, a merchant of Boston; no children.
6. Catharine,[7] born June 11th, 1760; died ——; married Dr. Joseph W. Rhoades; 6 children.
7. Eunice Paine,[7] born August 7th, 1762; died April 11th, 1803; married Wm. Prentiss, as his second wife; he was a merchant in London, Eng., several years; 1 child.

291 ii. Robert Treat, 1st,[6] born October 9th, 1727; died October 21st, 1727, at Weymouth, Mass., and was buried there.

292 iii. Thomas,[6] born July 3rd, 1729; died August 19th, 1730, at Weymouth, Mass., and was buried there.

293 iv. Robert Treat, 2nd,[6] born March 11th (or 12th), 1730-1; died May 11th, 1814, at Boston, Mass., and was buried in Granary Burying-ground, Boston, Mass.; married ——, 1770, at ——, to Sally Cobb, of Taunton, Mass.; she was born ——, 1740, about, at ——; died June 6th, 1816, aged 76, at ——; she was a daughter of Thomas and Lydia (Leonard) Cobb of Taunton, Mass.

Children: 8 (Paine), 4 sons and 4 daughters; first 6 born in Taunton, Mass., others in Boston, Mass.

1. Robert Treat,[7] born ——, 1770; died July 30th, 1798, at Boston, Mass. H. C. 1789. Not married.
2. Sally,[7] born ——, 1772; died January 26th, 1823. Not married.
3. Thomas,[7] born December 9th, 1773; died November 13th, 1811; married Elizabeth Baker.
4. Charles,[7] born August 30th, 1775; died February 15th, 1810; married Sally Sumner Cushing.
5. Henry,[7] born October 20th, 1777; died June 8th, 1814; married Olive Lyman.
6. Mary,[7] born February 9th, 1780; died February 27th, 1842; married Rev. Elisha Clapp.
7. Maria Antoinette,[7] born December 2nd, 1782; died March 26th, 1842; married Dr. Samuel Greele.
8. Lucretia,[7] born April 30th, 1785; died August 27th, 1823, at Boston, Mass. Not married.

Hon. Robert Treat[6] Paine taught school for a year. He then made three voyages to North Carolina, acting as master. He subsequently sailed to Fayal and to Cadiz and to Greenland on whaling voyages as master of his ship. In 1755 he read law in Lancaster with Judge Willard, a relative, and preached at the same time in Shirley, Mass. He was chaplain of Col. Willard's Regiment, which was sent to Crown Point and was in Camp on Lake George for three months. In 1757 he was admitted to the bar and removed to Taunton, Mass., in 1761. He was Rep. to G. C. from Taunton, 1733-4, Deputy to 1st Congress in 1775; attended 1st provincial congress at Cambridge, Mass., and in May attended the Congress at Philadelphia, Pa. July 4th, 1776, he signed the Declaration of Independence. He was a Member of Congress in 1777-8, but did not attend. In 1781 he removed to Boston and settled there on the corner of Milk and Federal Streets in former residence of Governor Shirley. He was Attorney-General in 1777-1790. In 1790 he was made Judge of the Superior Court and resigned in 1804. A *fac-simile* of his signature may be seen, p. 244 of the *Treat Family Genealogy.*

294. v. Eunice,[6] born May 11th, 1733; died February 2nd, 1803; at Boston, (probably); she was buried from her brother's home in Boston. Not married.

Rev. Thomas[5] Paine at an early age was placed under Rev. Jonathan Russell of Barnstable for preparation for Harvard College. In 1713 he entered Harvard, and while there pursued the study of mathematics and astronomy far beyond the ordinary course of these studies there at that time. His great interest in these studies led him in 1718 and 1719 to publish almanacs in his own name. To the study of Latin, Greek, Hebrew and French he gave great attention, and graduated at Harvard in 1717. Having shown an early predilection for the ministry, in August, 1717, he began the study of theology under Rev. Theophilus Barnard of Andover, Mass.; and upon completion of his studies he accepted a call and was ordained minister at Weymouth, Mass., on August 19th, 1719; he remained there until 1730, when ill health compelled him to ask for his dismission. He then went to Boston to reside and soon became engaged in commercial pursuits. He carried on a trade with the Southern Colonies, West Indies, and the new port of Halifax, N. S., and with England and other foreign ports, and soon acquired considerable wealth. He was also engaged in the manufacture of cannon and the casting of shot; he had foundries in Abington and Bridgewater. In the summer of 1749, his business affairs became involved in consequence of the capture of some of his vessels, and on account of the depreciated value of the existing currency, and general business conditions; and his property was swept away. His health gave way, and he made a voyage to the West Indies; and on his return made Halifax his place of residence. There he turned his attention to the study of law with the intention of practising. His health becoming greatly impaired, he was compelled to abandon his studies and he returned to Braintree, Mass., to a village nearby called Germantown, where his daughter Abigail Greenleaf lived; and at her home passed to his rest and was buried at Weymouth, Mass. He was undoubtedly a man of great talents, learning and piety.

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98. BETHIA[5] PAINE (Bethia[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., May 23rd, 1698; baptized May 29th, 1698; died ——, at ——; married at Barnstable, Mass., ——, 1732 (or 1737), to Dr. Samuel Russell, born Barnstable, Mass., May 1st, 1699; he resided at Barnstable, Mass.; he was a physician, and was the minister to the "Great Marshes;" he died ——, at ——. He was a son of Rev. Jonathan Russell, Harvard College, 1675 (born September 18th, 1655; died February 20th, 1710-11, aged 55), and his wife Martha Moody, daughter of Rev. Joshua Moody of Portsmouth, N. H. (born ——; died September 28th, 1729), who resided at Barnstable, Mass., where he settled September 18th, 1683.

Children: I have been unable to ascertain whether there were any children born of this marriage.

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99. MARY[5] PAINE (Bethia[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., August 13th, 1700; baptized there August 18th, 1700; died ——, at ——; she married, first, October 11th, 1723, at ——, to Nathaniel Freeman; he was born at Eastham, Mass., May 7th, 1698; he resided at Eastham and Barnstable, Mass.; he died at Barnstable, Mass., December 2nd, 1727. He was a son of Samuel Freeman (born March 26th, 1662; died January 30th, 1742, aged 81), and his second wife, Bathsheba (Lothrop) Smith-Freeman (daughter of Barnabas Lothrop of Barnstable and widow of Samuel Smith of Eastham), who resided at Eastham, Mass. She married a second time, October 11th, 1729, at ——, to Edmund Hawes, born at Yarmouth, Mass., June 13th, 1699; he resided at Yarmouth, where he died June 2nd, 1777. He was a son of Joseph Hawes (born July 16th, 1673-4), and Mary (——) Hawes, of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children by first marriage: 3 (Freeman), 2 sons and 1 daughter, all born in Barnstable, Mass.

295 i. Bethia[6] born July 4th, 1725; died ——; married January 24th, 1744-5, at Barnstable, to John Hinckley, Jr., born Barnstable, Mass., January 4th, 1712-13; he lived at Barnstable in a red brick house that belonged to Henry Bourne and subsequently was used as a Parsonage by Rev. Thomas Walley and the Russells; he died ——, at ——. He was a son of Joseph Hinckley (born May 15th, 1672; died ——, 1753; aged 81 years), and Mary (Gorham) Hinckley (born September 18th, 1680; died ——), of West Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 8 (Hinckley), 4 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

1. Joseph,[7] born November 10th, 1745; died November 21st, 1745.
2. Bethia,[7] born August 25th, 1747; died February 23rd, 1775.
3. Mary,[7] born August 9th, 1749; died April 2nd, 1820.
4. Elizabeth,[7] born April 9th, 1752.
5. John,[7] born October 15th, 1754; died ——; married December 4th, 1778, to Hannah Ide of Rehoboth, Mass.
6. Freeman,[7] born June 27th, 1757; died ——; married Sabra Hatch; he died early, leaving

no issue, and she became fourth wife of John[6] Thacher (No. 327).

7. James,[7] born April 2nd, 1760.
8. Sarah,[7] born October 28th, 1763.

296 ii. James,[6] born October 11th, 1726; died ——; he is said to have gone to Halifax, N. S.

297 iii. Nathaniel,[6] born March 20th, 1728; died April 17th, 1728, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there.

Children by second marriage: 3 (Hawes), 1 son and 2 daughters.

298 iv. Edmund,[6] born ——.
299 v. Mary,[6] born ——.
300 vi. Elizabeth,[6] born ——.

Nathaniel Freeman, first husband of Mary[5] Paine, died before the birth of his last child, Nathaniel[6] Freeman. His will mentions his wife Mary, who was Executrix, and will was admitted to administration May 22nd, 1728, "the said widow and her father, James Paine of Barnstable, being granted letters of administration." Edmund Hawes, second husband of Mary[5] Paine, was ruined financially by the depreciation of Continental paper currency. In January, 1777, the paper currency then in circulation was at 5 per cent. discount, in July it was at 25 per cent. discount, and before the end of the year three dollars in paper would not command one dollar in silver. The depreciation was so rapid that finally a paper dollar was only worth two or three cents. Edmund Hawes had sold his home to a Mr. Doane (the property since known as the Dr. Savage estate) and had been paid therefor in Continental paper currency, which almost immediately thereafter became worthless. Mr. Hawes, being thus reduced to poverty, went into the woods and hung himself. It is a singular fact that his only son also committed suicide.

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100. EXPERIENCE[5] PAINE (Bethiah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., March 17th, 1702-3; died at Norton, Mass., June 17th, 1775; married ——, int. pub. September 25th, 1724, at Weymouth, Mass., to Samuel Hunt, born at Braintree, Mass., date ——; he resided at Braintree, Weymouth and Norton, Mass., in which latter place he bought land in 1740; he probably was a farmer; he died at ——, date ——, administration on his estate was granted December 16th, 1755. He was a son of Captain John Hunt (born ——, 1646; died March 18th, 1724; married October 19th, 1686), and his wife Ruth (Quincy) Hunt

(born October 29th, 1658; will dated February 28th, 1745-6, proved December 27th, 1748; she was a daughter of Edward Quincy) of Braintree, Mass.

Children: 10 (Hunt), 3 sons and 7 daughters, all born at Weymouth, Mass.

301 i. Elizabeth,[6] born December 20th, 1725; died ——; married May 3rd, 1750, at Norton, Mass., to Jonathan Hunt of Norton, Mass.

Children: 3 (Hunt), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Norton, Mass.

1. Abigail,[7] born July 15th, 1750.
2. Bythiah,[7] born September 13th, 1752 (old style).
3. James,[7] born April 13th, 1754.

302 ii. Rebecca, 1st,[6] born September 10th, 1727; died October 3rd, 1730, at Weymouth, Mass., and was probably buried there.

303 iii. Samuel, 1st,[6] born March 10th, 1729; died December 14th, 1729, at Weymouth, Mass., and was probably buried there.

304 iv. Rebecca, 2nd,[6] born March 27th, 1731; died January 4th, 1806, at Norton, Mass.; married August 27th, 1750, at Norton, Mass., to Joseph Lincoln, Jr., of Norton, Mass.

Children: 8 (Lincoln), 2 sons and 6 daughters, all born at Norton, Mass.

1. Elizabeth,[7] born February 28th, 1751; baptized at Norton, July 15th, 1753.
2. Abigail,[7] born November 16th, 1752.
3. Rebecca,[7] born September 21st, 1756.
4. Samuel,[7] born September 21st, 1758.
5. Silve,[7] born November 3rd, 1760.
6. Joseph,[7] born June 17th, 1765.
7. Nanse,[7] born May 26th, 1768.
8. Ruth,[7] born July 14th, 1771.

305 v. Experience,[6] born July 8th, 1733; died April 30th, 1768, at Norton, Mass.; married March 31, 1757, at Norton, Mass., to Jeremiah Newland of Norton, Mass.

Children: 5 (Newland), 2 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Norton, Mass.

1. John,[7] born February 19th, 1758.
2. Experience,[7] born February 23rd, 1760.
3. Dan,[7] born March 27th, 1762.
4. Lucy,[7] born June 30th, 1764.
5. Metelda,[7] born July 5th, 1766.

306 vi. Samuel, 2nd,[6] born May 9th, 1735; died December 22nd (26th), 1790, at Norton, Mass.; married September 16th, 1762, at Norton, Mass., to Abigail Day, born ——, at ——; died November 15th, 1813, aged 70, at Norton, Mass.

Children: 10 (Hunt), 5 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Norton, Mass.

1. Samuel, 1st,[7] born January 25th, 1763; died November 17th, 1763, at Norton, Mass.
2. Abigail, 1st,[7] born August 16th, 1764; died November 11th, 1764, at Norton, Mass.
3. Samuel, 2nd,[7] born March 30th, 1766; baptized January 27th, 1771, at Norton; died October 18th, 1830, at Norton, Mass., aged 64, g. s.; married, first, January 28th, 1790, at Norton, Mass., to Sally Walker; married second, June 16th, 1824, at Norton, Mass., to Mrs. Luranah Lane.
4. Jonathan,[7] born May 9th, 1768; baptized January 27th, 1771, at Norton; died September 20th, 1793, at Norton, Mass., "in 26th year;" no record of his marriage at Norton, Mass.
5. Abigail, 2nd,[7] born August 31st, 1770; died October 18th, 1830, at Norton, Mass., "in 59th year," mg. int. pub. at Norton, Mass., April 21st, 1793, to Asahel (Asel) Tucker; he was born March 16th, 1772, at Norton, Mass.; died January 2nd, 1847, at Norton, Mass., "aged 75."
6. Day,[7] born February 10th, 1773.
7. Josiah,[7] born July 9th, 1775; died October 15th, 1818, "aged 43;" married April 7th, 1803, at Norton, Mass., to Fanny Lincoln.
8. Jerusha,[7] born November 20th, 1778; died March 19th, 1824, "in 46th year," at Norton, Mass.
9. Anna,[7] born September 7th, 1781; died August 20th, 1821, "in 40th year," at Norton; mg. int. pub. at Norton, January 27th, 1806, to James Carpenter.
10. Elizabeth,[7] born November 11th, 1784.

307 vii. James,[6] born January 30th, 1736-7; died September 15th, 1750, at Norton, Mass., and was probably buried there.

308 viii. Ruth, 1st,[6] born September 23rd, 1738; died October 13th, 1738, at Weymouth, Mass., and was buried there.

309 ix. Ruth, 2nd,[6] born April 7th, 1740; died March 25th, 1741, at Weymouth, Mass., and was probably buried there.

310 x. Ruth, 3rd,[6] born August 8th, 1741; died April 25th, 1824, at Norton, Mass.; married December 8th, 1774, at Norton, to William Makepeace, born May 4th, 1738, at Norton; died October 31st, 1822, at Norton, Mass.; son of William and Experience (——) Makepeace of Norton, Mass.

In the Bristol, R. I., probate records we find Book XIV, p. 628, that administration on estate of Samuel Hunt was granted to J. Campbell, December 16th, 1755; Inventory Book XV. In the *Paine Family Records,* p. 183, the children of Samuel Hunt are incorrectly given.

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102. ABIGAIL[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., November 2nd, 1699; baptized November 19th, 1699; died September 18th, 1768, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in old cemetery, gravestone. She was married at Yarmouth, Mass. (probably) October 11th, 1722, to Joseph Hallett, born ——, at Yarmouth, Mass.; he resided at Yarmouth and died there probably, on September 19th, 1735; and was probably buried in old cemetery there; no gravestone. He was a son of John Hallett (born Yarmouth, December 11th, 1648; died June 10th, 1726, aged 78), and Mary (Howes) Hallett (born ——, 1659; died June ——, 1732, aged 73; she was a daughter of Joseph Howes) of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 6 (Hallett), 2 sons and 4 daughters, No. i. born in Barnstable, and the rest in Yarmouth.

311 i. Roland,[6] born August 7th, 1723; died July 30th, 1727, aged 4 years, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone.

312 ii. Joseph,[6] born June 25th, 1725; died ——; married Mary Joyce ——, 1745.

+313 iii. Abigail,[6] born June 15th, 1727; died April 15th, 1790; married Samuel Gorham.

+314 iv. Hannah,[6] born October 23rd, 1729; died February 26th, 1790; married Nathan Bassett.

315 v. Eunice,[6] born January 8th, 1831-2; died ——.

+316 vi. Elizabeth,[6] born April 25th, 1734; died March 19th, 1764; married Prince Hawes, Jr.

Joseph Hallett, Sr., built a house in Yarmouth like his father's, between the houses of his brothers John and Andrew.

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103. ELIZABETH[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., June 17th, 1701; died at Barnstable, September 14th, 1733; and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground; gravestone. She married at Barnstable, Mass., date of marriage ——, to Captain Jonathan Davis, born at Barnstable, ——, 1698; died at Barnstable, December 2nd, 1782, aged 83, according to Church Records (January 4th, 1784, in 82nd year, according to gravestone); he resided at Barnstable and was a sea-captain; he was a son of Josiah Davis (born September ——, 1656; died ——, 1709; married June 25th, 1679), and Ann (Taylor) Davis (daughter of Richard Taylor of Yarmouth) who resided at Barnstable.

Children: 3 (Davis), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

317 i. Elizabeth, 1st,[6] born October 14th, 1724; died October 31st, 1724, aged 17 days.

318 ii. Jonathan,[6] born ——, 1726-7; died November 7th, 1729, in 3rd year.

319 iii. Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] born November 9th, 1729; baptized November 9th, 1729; died November 28th, 1729, aged 19 days, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there.

Captain Jonathan Davis married a second time, April 24th, 1735, at Barnstable, to Susannah, Allyn, born at Barnstable, ——, 1715; died at Barnstable, August 14th, 1751, aged 36, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill East Burying-ground, presumably; no gravestone. She was a daughter of James Allyn (born ——, 1691, about; died October 8th, 1741, aged 50; married July 24th, 1712, at age of 21) and Susannah (Lewis) Allyn (born April 17th, 1694; died October 4th, 1753, aged 59; daughter of Ebenezer and Anna (Lothrop) Lewis), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 5 (Davis), 1 son and 4 daughters, all born in Barnstable. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Elizabeth, born ——; baptized October 24th, 1736; died young.
2. Susannah, born July 29th, 1738.
3. Elizabeth, born ——; baptized October 4th, 1741; died ——; married —— Hamlin.
4. Anna, born ——; baptized May 1st, 1743; —— married Wm. (or John) Belford.
5. Jonathan, born ——; baptized June 14th, 1747; died young.

According to the Church Records, Captain Jonathan Davis died December 2nd, 1782, aged 83. His gravestone in the burying-ground, near the Unitarian Meeting House, says January 4th, 1784, in the 82nd year of his age. His will was proved January ——, 1788; in it he names William Belford and daughter Ann, to whom he gives all of his estate, and his daughter Elizabeth. His house stood on the north side of the road between the houses of Samuel Cobb and Josiah Davis. His daughters Elizabeth and Anna were the only children living at the time of his death. Anna taught school several years. She married William (or John) Belford, a Scotch-Irishman, and had the following children:

Children: 4 (Belford), 1 son and 3 daughters. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Edward, baptized January 1st, 1770; died young.
2. Susie Davis, baptized October 11, 1772.
3. Edward, baptized October —, 1778.
4. Davis, baptized June 18th, 1781.

The descendants of this family all write their name "Ford," instead of Belford.

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104. JOHN[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., June 25th, 1703; died September 13th, 1783, aged 81, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground; gravestone. He lived at Barnstable and was a farmer and mechanic; he was married by the Rev. Wm. Homes at Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., November 28th, 1734, to Content Norton, born ——, 1713 about, see age at death and date of death; died at Barnstable, March 20th, 1773, "in the 60th year of her age," and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Samuel Norton, Esq., and his wife (Content (——) Norton (born ——; died August 1st, 1739, "in 63rd year of her age") of Chilmark, Mass.

Children: 11 (Thacher), 4 sons and 7 daughters; all born at Barnstable, Mass.

+320 i. Elizabeth,[6] born February 29th, 1735-6; died April 30th, 1806; married (1) Hezekiah Jackson; married (2) Eleazer Stevens.

+321 ii. Abigail,[6] born March 20th, 1738; died——; married John Gray.

322 iii. Content,[6] born September 6th, 1740; died March 1st, 1825, aged 84, at Lee, Mass., and was buried there. Not married.

323 iv. Rebecca,[6] born August 7th, 1742; died September 14th, 1810, in her 67th year, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground; gravestone, viz:—"In memory of Miss Rebecca Thacher; she died September 14th, 1810, in the 67th year of her age." Not married.

+324 v. Desire,[6] born July 18th, 1745; died March 4th, 1824; married Benjamin Gorham (see No. 413).

+325 vi. Jethro,[6] born January 16th, 1747; died June 28th, 1826; married Hannah[6] Thacher (No. 345).

+326 vii. Fear,[6] born February 1st, 1748; died March 20th (or 28th), 1829; married John Goodwin.

+327 viii. John,[6] born December 29th, 1751; died July 4th, 1833; married (1) Hannah Bowne; married (2) Remember Freeman; married (3) Mary (or Polly) Simmons; married (4) Sabra (Hatch) Hinckley, widow of Freeman Hinckley.

+328 ix. James,[6] born February 14th, 1754; died May 26th, 1844; married Susannah Hayward.

329 x. Mary,[6] born March 16th, 1757; died March 3rd, 1838, aged 81 years, at Plymouth, Mass., and was buried there on Burial Hill, gravestone thus inscribed:—"In memory of Mrs. Mary Thacher, who died March 3rd, 1838, aged 81 years." She was not married.

330 xi. Samuel,[6] born March 2nd (or 29th), 1759; died May 26th, 1761, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground, gravestone thus inscribed: "Here lyes buried Samuel, son of Mr. John Thacher and Mrs. Content Thacher, his wife, who deceased May 26th, 1761, aged 2 years and 24 days."

John[5] Thacher's will was dated May 9th, 1779, and was proved November 24th, 1783. In it he mentions his son Jethro, who receives the cooper-shop and tools; and also his children John, James, Content, Rebecca and Mary Thacher, Elizabeth Stevens, Abigail Gray, Desire Gorham and Fear Goodwin. In Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground there are the graves of John[5] Thacher and his wife with stones thus inscribed:—

"In memory of Mr. John Thacher, who departed this life September ye 13th, 1783, in ye 81st year of his age, with a confident hope of enjoying that heavenly reward that the Messiah has promised to those who follow his precepts and live his religion and example."

"Here lyes ye body of Mrs. Content Thacher, wife of Mr. John Thacher, who departed this life in a sacred hope of a better, March ye 20th, 1773, in ye 60th year of her age.

"All you that pass by, pray cast an eye,
As you are now so once was I,
As I am now so you must be,
Forever in eternity.
A virtuous, wise and cheerful mother,
To serve ye Lord she did endeavor."

John[5] Thacher being the oldest son, inherited the family homestead in Barnstable and lived therein. He bore an unblemished reputation, being religious in principle and practice.

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105. LOT[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., May 23rd, 1705; died December 15th (or 16th), 1732, drowned while crossing Cape Cod Bay from Provincetown to Barnstable; body lost at sea. He resided at Barnstable, Mass.; he married September 29th, 1730, at Pembroke, Mass. (int. pub. at Barnstable, August 30th, 1730), to Rebecca Kean, born at Pembroke, Mass., December 1st, 1709; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of John and Rebecca (Barker) Kean of Pembroke, Mass.

Children: 2 (Thacher), 1 son and 1 daughter, both born at Barnstable.

+331 i. Mary,[6] born May 29th, 1731; died May 11th, 1761; married Jonathan Lothrop.

+332 ii. Lot,[6] born February 19th, 1731-2; died February 14th, 1763; married Martha Taylor.

Rebecca (Kean) Thacher (widow of Lot[5] Thacher) was married a second time October 18th, 1738 (by John[4] Thacher, Esq., her father-in-law), at Barnstable, Mass. (int. pub. at Eastham, Mass., July 22nd, 1738, she being described as of Barnstable), to Joseph Smith of Eastham, Mass., as his second wife; he was born October 9th, 1692, at Eastham, Mass.; died ——, at ——; he resided at Eastham, Mass., and was a cordwainer. He was a son of Samuel and Bathsheba (Lothrop) Smith, of Eastham, Mass.

Children: 2 (Smith), 1 son and 1 daughter, both born in Eastham, Mass. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Rebecca, born July 23rd, 1739.
2. Joseph, born October 17th, 1743.

Joseph Smith (the second husband of Rebecca (Kean) Thacher) married first at Eastham, Mass., June 24th, 1715, to Mary

Hopkins, born at Eastham, Mass., January 20th, 1694-5; died at Eastham, Mass., between July 28th, 1732, and July 22nd, 1738. She was a daughter of Joshua and Mary (Cole) Hopkins, who were married at Eastham, May 26th, 1681, and who resided at Eastham.

Children: 5 (Smith), 1 son and 4 daughters, all born in Eastham, Mass. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Bathsheba, born April 17th, 1716; died April 19th, 1722
2. Mary, born October 4th, 1718.
3. Bathshua, born August 8th, 1724.
4. Samuel, born December 21st, 1729.
5. Huldah, born July 28th, 1732.

In *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. VII, pp. 185 and 186, we find the following entries among deaths in South Parish of Eastham, Mass., viz:—"wife Jos^h Smith died 1775,"—"Rebeca Smith died 1777,"—"W^o Reb. Smith died 1781." It is possible that any one of these entries may refer to the date of death of Rebecca (Kean) Thacher-Smith, but I am not certain that they do. In the settlement of John Kean's estate, which took place in 1801, see *Plymouth, Mass., Probate Records,* Book No. 37, pp. 106-8, "Division of Heirs of John Kean," the balance of estate is divided into shares and one share is allotted to heirs of *Rebecca Smith,* deceased.

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106. FEAR[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., March 28th, 1707; died at Barnstable, Mass., November 14th, 1758, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground; gravestone. She married February 19th, 1735-6, presumably at Barnstable, to Nathaniel Lewis, born at Barnstable, January 12th, 1706-7; he lived at Barnstable and died there July 7th, 1751, aged 43, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground; gravestone; he was a son of Ebenezer and Anna (Lothrop) Lewis of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 5 (Lewis), 1 son and 4 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

+333 i. Elizabeth,[6] born July 31st, 1737; died January 31st, 1786; married Samuel Penfield.

334 ii. Abigail, 1st,[6] born December 24th, 1740; died April 29th, 1741.

+335 iii. Abigail, 2nd,[6] born September 2nd, 1742; died ——; married Andrew Hill.

+336 iv. Hannah,[6] born October 16th, 1744; died September 15th, 1839; married Peter Penfield, Jr.

+337 v. Nathaniel,[6] born June 5th, 1747 (or 1745); died ——.

From Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground we obtain the following inscriptions, viz:—"Here lies buried the body of Mr. Nathaniel Lewis, who died July 7th, 1751, in the 44th year of his age."

"Here lies buried Mrs. Fear Lewis, widow of Nathaniel, died November ye 14th, 1758, in 51st year of her age."

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107. REV. ROLAND[5] THACHER (Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., August 28th, 1710; died February 18th, 1775, at Wareham, Mass., "in his 64th year," and was buried there in Parker Mills Cemetery; gravestone. He was a minister of the Gospel and first pastor of the Church and Society at Wareham, Mass. He married,

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CORRECTIONS:

Page 97, 16th line from bottom, Jonathan *Hawes* and Jeremiah *Hawes* should read Jonathan *Howes* and Jeremiah *Howes*.

Page 113, 13th line from top, *16th signer* should read *13th signer*.

Page 113, 18th and 19th lines from top, should read: He married Elizabeth Tilley (daughter of John Tilley and —— (——) Tilley, his wife, etc.).

Page 120, 12th line from bottom, should read: Elizabeth Tilley was a daughter of John Tilley and his wife —— (——) Tilley. John Howland, his wife Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, and John Tilley and his wife (the mother of Elizabeth Tilley) were passengers on the first trip of the *Mayflower* in 1620.

NOTE:—In preparing the records of John Tilley and his wife —— (——) Tilley, and that of their daughter Elizabeth Tilley, I was guided by the statements made by Miss Annie A. Haxtun in her published *Signers of the Mayflower Compact*, Part II, p. 1, New York City, 1897. Miss Haxtun there states specifically that John Tilley (the 16th signer) was married twice, 1st to Elizabeth ——, and 2nd to Bridget Van der Velde. Miss Haxtun in her time was regarded as good authority and hence my acceptance of her statement. Since the compilation of this portion of these records Mr. George Ernest Bowman has conclusively proven that the John Tilley who married Bridget Van der Velde in Leyden, Feb. 13, 1615, was not John Tilley the 16th signer of the Compact. (See *Mayflower Descendant*, vol. x, pp. 65-6-7.) I have therefore corrected my article on the authority of Mr. Bowman, whose article, at the time (April, 1911) of going to press, had not been brought to my notice. As Miss Haxtun's authority for stating that the baptismal name of John Tilley's wife was Elizabeth is not given, and as I find no further authority for such statement, I have corrected my article so that both the baptismal name and the maiden surname of John Tilley's wife remain unstated.

Page 126. The inscription on gravestone of Col. John[4] Thacher was copied by Stanley W. Smith, 396 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass., from the Gustavus Hinckley copies of Barnstable Cemetery Records in the New England Historical-Genealogical Society's Library—and not from the stone itself.

Page 131. Record No. 128 should read: "+128 x. Benjamin,[5] born June 5th, 1726; died ——; married Nancy Hinckley." He did not marry 2nd to Ellen Rankin.

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first, at Barnstable, Mass. (int. pub. there May 31st, 1740), on September 24th, 1740, according to *Barnstable Records,* Vol. III, p. 55 (on September 2nd, 1740, according to *Otis' Barnstable Families,* Vol. I, p. 246), to Abigail Crocker, born Barnstable, Mass., April 2nd, 1721; died at Wareham, Mass., October 31st, 1753, "in her 33rd year" and was buried there in Parker Mills Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Timothy Crocker, Esq. (born April 30th, 1680-1; died January 31st, 1737, aged 57; married October 27th, 1709, by Rev. Jonathan Russell), and Melatiah Crocker, his wife (daughter of his uncle, Josiah Crocker, hence she was his first cousin), who resided at Barnstable, Mass. Rev. Roland[5] Thacher married a second time at Plympton, Mass., September 15th (or 16th), 1754 (int. pub. July 30th, 1754), to Mrs. Hannah (Swift) Fearing (widow of Israel Fearing of Wareham, Mass.). She was born at Sandwich, Mass., ——, 1724-5 (see date of death and age at death); she died at Wareham, Mass, June 29th, 1774, "in her 50th year," and was buried there in Parker Mills Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Moses Swift (born ——, 1699; died ——; married December 24th, 1719), and Mary (Foster) Swift, who resided at Sandwich, Mass.

Children: 1st marriage, 7 (Thacher), 1 son and 6 daughters, all born at Wareham, Mass.

+338 i. Martha Fearing,[6] born June 19th, 1741; died October 10th, 1825; married Nathaniel Howland.

+339 ii. Jerusha,[6] born April 3rd, 1743; died ——; married John Gibbs.

+340 iii. Roland,[6] born March 13th, 1745; died March 29th, 1813; married Elizabeth Nye.

+341 iv. Sylvia,[6] born May 16th, 1747; died January 1st, 1830; married Alvan Crocker.

+342 v. Desire,[6] born July 27th, 1749; died January 4th, 1815; married David Nye.

343 vi. Lucy,[6] born May 27th, 1751; died March 2nd, 1772, at Wareham, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone thus inscribed:—"Lucy, daughter of Mr. Roland and Abigail Thacher, died March 2nd, 1772, in her 21st year." Not married.

344 vii. Abigail,[6] born October 20th, 1753; died February 13th, 1775, at Wareham, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone thus inscribed:—"Abigail, daughter of Rev. Roland and Abigail Thacher, died February 13th, 1775, in her 22nd year." Not married.

Children by second marriage: 5 (Thacher), 2 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Warham, Mass.

+345 viii. Hannah,[6] born June 27th, 1755; died July 15th, 1833; married Jethro[6] Thacher (No. 325). For

continuation of her line, see record of No. 325 *et sequentia.*

+346 ix. Lot,[6] born June 3rd, 1757; died March 4th, 1833; married, first, Abigail Fearing; second, Huldah Millard.

+347 x. Fear,[6] born March 14th, 1760; died September 8th, 1833; married Joshua Crocker.

+348 xi. Elizabeth,[6] born September 23rd, 1762; died ——; married Israel Fearing.

+349 xii. John,[6] born January 26th, 1767; died October 5th, 1828; married Parna Robinson.

Rev. Roland[5] Thacher was educated for the ministry and graduated at Harvard College in 1733. He was the first pastor of the Church and Society of Wareham, Mass., where he was ordained in 1740, and remained pastor there for thirty-four (34) years, dying greatly beloved and respected.

The following is an extract from an original letter written by Col. John[4] Thacher in 1761 to his son, Rev. Roland[5] Thacher, from which it seems clear that the latter's name was in reality Roland Cotton[5] Thacher, viz:—

"My dear son Cotton:

Through much weakness of body, I write these few lines to you, which I would have you receive and improve as the last and dying words of your aged father. A few moments after you were born, I went into the room to see my new born babe with the mother, and after giving thanks for her deliverance, I asked her 'what we should do for a name.' 'Oh!' said she, 'I have a name ready, if you like it. Don't you know how often that good man, Mr. Cotton, comes in to see us? I want the child named after him.' To which I readily complied, and at the same time, I had sudden thoughts of giving you to God, as devoted to the work of the ministry. * * * "

Col. John[4] Thacher, father of Rev. Roland[5] Thacher, died in 1764, aged 90; hence he was 87 years old when he wrote the above letter. The original was in the hands of Mrs. Elizabeth Thacher (Benton) Bennett of Brooklyn, N. Y., who sent a copy of the same to Hon. Peter Thacher of Newton, Mass., from which copy the above extract was obtained.

From the Cemetery at Parker Mills Station, Wareham, Mass., we obtain the following graveyard inscriptions:

"Rev. Roland Thacher, Pastor of Church of Christ in Wareham, died February 18th, 1775, in his 64th year."

"Abigail, virtuous consort of Rev. Roland, died October 31st, 1753—33rd year."

"Hannah, virtuous consort of Rev. Roland, died June 29th, 1774—50th year."

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108. ELIZABETH[5] HATCH (Elizabeth[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., May 15th, 1701; died at Yarmouth, Mass., October 23rd, 1744, aged 44 years, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She married ——, about 1724 (see date of birth of first child), at ——, to Timothy Hallett (as his second wife; his first wife was her first cousin Thankful[5] Sturgis (Rebecca[4] Thacher), see No. 91, who died January 10th, 1721-2); he was born ——, 1694 (see age at death and date of death), at Yarmouth, Mass.; he was a farmer and died at Yarmouth, Mass., July 17th, 1760, in his 66th year, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He was a son of Jonathan Hallett (born November 20th, 1647; died January 12th, 1716, aged 69; married January 30th, 1683-4), and Abigail (Dexter) Hallett (born ——, 1663, about; died September 2nd, 1715, aged 52; daughter of Ensign Thomas Dexter of Sandwich, Mass.), who resided at Sandwich and Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 8 (Hallett), 6 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

350 i. Timothy,[6] born May 7th, 1725; died August 3rd, 1747, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was probably buried there; no gravestone. He was not married.

351 ii. Elizabeth, 1st,[6] born June 12th, 1727; died June 14th, 1728, at Yarmouth, aged 1 year and 2 days, and is buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

352 iii. Moses,[6] born April 12th (or 20th), 1729; died December 14th (or 24th), 1809, at Yarmouth, and buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He married, first, at Yarmouth, Mass., ——, 1751, to Phebe Hamblin, born Yarmouth, April 11th, 1731; died November 28th, 1769, in her 39th year, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Joseph Hamblin, a blacksmith of Yarmouth, Mass., by his wife, Elizabeth (Matthews) Hamblin. He married, second, ——, 1771, at ——, to Eleanor Hamblin, born Barnstable, April 15th, 1733; baptized April 15th, 1733; joined church September 30th, 1761; died September 7th, 1771, aged 38, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Shubael and

Eleanor (Winslow) Hamblin of West Barnstable, Mass. He married, third, ——, 1772, at ——, to Lydia Goodspeed, born January 21st, 1738, at Barnstable; died February 15th, 1791, "in her 53rd year," at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of John Goodspeed of Barnstable, Mass., by his wife Rebecca Goodspeed (daughter of Benjamin and Hope (Lumbart) Goodspeed), of Barnstable, Mass. He married a fourth time, ——, at ——, to Elizabeth Crowell, born ——, at ——; died March 9th, 1821, aged 89, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Ephraim Crowell.

Children, first marriage: 7 (Hallett), 2 sons and 5 daughters, all born in Yarmouth, Mass.

1. James,[7] born September 11th, 1752; died November 18th, 1824, in his 72nd year; married Susannah Taylor.
2. Elizabeth,[7] born May 21st, 1754; died ——; married Jonathan Bassett.
3. Mary,[7] born March 18th, 1756; died ——; married Jeremiah Crowell.
4. Abigail,[7] born February 8th, 1758; died ——; married William Taylor.
5. Timothy,[7] born January 9th, 1759; died May 6th, 1766, aged 17, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married.
6. Phebe,[7] born August 4th, 1763; died February 17th, 1836, in her 73rd year, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married.
7. Keziah,[7] born March 26th, 1766; died February 12th, 1806, in her 40th year, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married.

Children by second marriage, none.

Children by third marriage, 1 son, still born, January 17th, 1774, at Yarmouth, Mass., and buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

Children by fourth marriage, none.

353 iv. Benjamin,[6] born October 9th, 1730; died ——; married Bethia Jones of Sandwich, Mass., on April 26th, 1759; he resided at Yarmouth, and was pilot of a vessel bound for Halifax and was lost at sea with all on board. No issue.

354 v. Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] born November 16th, 1735; died December 20th, 1735, aged 1 month, 3 days, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

355 vi. James,[6] born April 12th, 1737; died young, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was probably buried there; no gravestone. Not married.

356 vii. Joshua,[6] born January 10th, 1738-9; died August 19th, 1821, aged 84, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He married ——, at ——, to Dorcas Eldredge, born ——, 1741, about, see age at death and date of death; died April 26th, 1813, aged 72, at Yarmouth Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

Children: 7 (Hallett), 1 son and 6 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

1. Bethia,[7] born February 5th, 1763; died ——; married Elkanah Crowell.
2. Elizabeth,[7] born October 31st, 1764; died June 21st, 1852, aged 87 years, 5 months, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married; she lived at Yarmouth.
3. Lydia,[7] born February 21st, 1767; died ——, 1849, about, aged 82; married Obed Howes, Esq.
4. Dorcas,[7] born April 20th, 1770; died December 19th, 1854, aged 85; married Benjamin Hallett.
5. Mary,[7] born June 23rd, 1772; died ——, 1858, about, aged 86; married, first, Josiah Baker; second, Robert Dixon; third, Eben. Howes.
6. Patience,[7] born April 26th, 1775; died December 1st, 1779, aged 4 years 4 months, 5 days, at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.
7. Joshua,[7] born April 12th, 1778; died January 25th, 1863, aged 85; married, first, ——; married, second, ——, ——.

357 viii. Isaac,[6] born August 24th, 1742; died October 5th, 1814, at Yarmouth, Mass., aged 72, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He was a deacon in Yarmouth Church; he married ——, 1761, at ——, to Elizabeth Eldredge, born ——, at ——; died March 1st, 1831, aged 86.

Children: 12 (Hallett), 6 sons and 6 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

1. Benjamin,[7] born November 3rd, 1762; died February 28th, 1838; married, first, Abigail Matthews; married, second, Dorcas[7] Hallett (his own first cousin, daughter of his uncle Joshua[6] Hallett).
2. Thankful,[7] born October 10th, 1764; died August 14th, 1831; married Reuben Rider.
3. Isaac,[7] born December 16th, 1766; died ——, 1857, aged 90; married Rebecca Matthews.
4. Elizabeth,[7] born February 23rd, 1769; died March 26th, 1866, aged 97; married, first, Prince Crowell; married, second, Isaac Gorham.
5. Anna,[7] born March 26th, 1771; died September 24th, 1823, aged 52; married Barnabas Marchant of Barnstable and removed to Falmouth.
6. Deborah[7], born August 3rd, 1773; died September 24th, 1857, aged 84; married Capt. Ezra Crowell.
7. John,[7] born January 28th, 1775; died January 30th, 1854, aged 78; married Lydia[7] Thacher (daughter of Solomon[6] and Susannah (Crosby) Thacher of Yarmouth). For continuation of this line, see record of Lydia[7] Thacher, *et sequentia.*
8. Elisha 1st,[7] born March 8th, 1777; died March 8th, 1777, at Yarmouth and buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.
9. Rosanna,[7] born May 1st, 1778; died June ——, 1867; married Zenas Howes.
10. Samuel,[7] born September 23rd, 1780; died April 23rd, 1829, aged 48; married Lydia Ewer.
11. Levina,[7] born January 13th, 1783; died September 12th, 1847; married, first, Tristram Nye; second, William Cobb.
12. Elisha 2nd,[7] born ——; died ——; married, first, Dorca Small of Lubec; married, second, Hannah W. Davis of Lubec. He resided at Lubec, Maine.

On the family record of Benjamin[7] Hallett (grandson of Timothy Hallett, who married Elizabeth[5] Hatch), the names of James[6] Hallett does not appear. Joshua[7] Hallett (son of Joshua[6] No. 356), who died in 1863, said in 1858 that he did not recollect his father ever saying that he had a brother James[6] Hallett; but the above record of children is given in *Amos Otis' Barnstable Families.* James[6] Hallett probably died very young and was not recorded in the Family Bible.

Timothy Hallett (after the death of his second wife, Elizabeth[5] (Hatch) Hallett), married a third time at Barnstable, Mass., on May 23rd, 1745, to Thankful Jones (daughter of Jedediah and Hannah (Davis) Jones of Barnstable, Mass.); she was born April 12th, 1701, at Barnstable, Mass.; died January 24th, 1771, "in 69th year of her age," at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. There were no children by this marriage.

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109. CAPTAIN MOSES[5] HATCH (Elizabeth[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born probably at Falmouth, Mass., ——, probably before 1700; he resided at Falmouth, Mass.; he died ——, at ——; he married, first, April —, 1724, at ——, to Mary Lord, born at Chatham, Mass., 19-20, (2), 1701 (i. e., April 19th-20th, 1701, Old Style, in the night). She died at Falmouth, Mass., January 27th, 1742-3. She was a daughter of Rev. Joseph Lord (born ——; died June 6th, 1748, aged 76, H. C. 1691; schoolmaster, physician and minister; married January 2nd, 1697-8), and Abigail (Hinckley) Lord (born Barnstable, April 8th, 1669; died December 14th, 1725) of Chatham, Mass.

Children: 5 (Hatch), 3 sons and 1 daughter, and 1 child, sex not stated, all born at Falmouth, Mass.

358 i. Sylvanus,[6] born January 24th, 1725; died ——; married ——, and had 7 (Hatch) sons, viz:—
1. Sylvanus.[7]
2. Samuel.[7]
3. John.[7]
4. Solomon.[7]
5. Charles.[7]
6. Orias.[7]
7. Jethro.[7]

359 ii. Moses,[6] born May 28th, 1732; married Prudence Gorham, September ——, 1766 (she was a daughter of John and Prudence (Crocker) Gorham of Barnstable, Mass.); born at Barnstable, August 16th, 1734.

360 iii. Joseph,[6] born March 8th, 1735; died ——.

361 iv. Hepsibah,[6] born February 12th, 1737; died ——.

362 v. (Child, sex not stated),[6] born ——, 1742-3; died ——.

Captain Moses[5] Hatch married a second time, at ——, date of marriage ——, to ——; born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Children: 2 (Hatch), sons, both born at Falmouth.

363 vi. Jonathan,[6] born December 17th, 1743; died ——.

364 vii. Benjamin,[6] born September 10th, 1745; died ——.

Hon. George Thacher, in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* states that on May 14th, 1821, he had a conversation with Joshua[6] Hallett (son of Elizabeth[5] Hatch and Timothy Hallett) who was then 83 years old and who told him that he recollected that when he was young his uncles Moses[5] and Sylvanus[5] Hatch (his mother's brothers) frequently visited at his father's (Joshua[5] Hallett's) home, but that he did not recollect any of the others of the family.

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110. REBECCA[5] HATCH (Elizabeth[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born probably at Falmouth, Mass., December 27th, 1703, and baptized there June 18th, 1704; died July 5th, 1740, aged 36, at Barnstable, Mass., probably; she married ——, 1733, at ——, to James Lewis, born Barnstable, Mass., August 4th, 1696; died ——, at ——; he resided at Barnstable. He was a son of Ebenezer and Anna (Lothrop) Lewis of Barnstable.

Children: 3 (Lewis), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

365 i. Rebecca,[6] born August 5th, 1734; died ——; married October 6th, 1754, to Isaac Baker, born April 2nd, 1734; died —— (son of Nathaniel and Ann (Lumbard) Baker), by whom she had the following seven (7) (Baker) children:—1. Rebecca; 2. James; 3. Lewis; 4. Ezekiel; 5. Nathaniel; 6. John, who removed to Brewster; 7. Isaac, who died in Barnstable, unmarried.

366 ii. Abigail,[6] born ——; baptized December 19th, 1736.

367 iii. James,[6] born ——; baptized May 7th, 1740.

James Lewis, Sr., married, second, on September 3rd, 1745, at Barnstable probably, to Dorcas Baker, who died July 5th, 1748, aged 35. She was possibly Dorcas (Backus) Baker, widow of Nicholas Baker (he born November 6th, 1711; died January 31st, 1739-40. By this second marriage James Lewis, Sr., had Elizabeth, baptized June 7th, 1747. James Lewis, Sr., married a third time, April 12th, 1750, to Joanna Howland (daughter of John and —— Howland) by whom he had no children. This James Lewis, Sr., was, in the opinion of Amos Otis, the one who was insane and who had a guardian appointed May 13th, 1756.

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113. Thacher[5] Freeman (Lydia[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich, Mass., December 3rd, 1710; baptized 1st Parish, Harwich (Brewster), Mass., March 8th, 1723-4; died August 15th, 1784, at Becket, Mass.; he lived at Harwich (Brewster), Mass, and removed to Becket, Mass., in his latter days. He married, January 27th, 1731-2, at ——, to Anna Gray, born at Harwich, November 30th, 1714; died at Becket, Mass., November 30th, 1797, aged 83; she was a daughter of John Gray, Jr. (born ——; died March 31st, 1732, aged 60), and his wife Susannah (Clark) Gray (ad. to ch. at Harwich, June 22nd, 1701; daughter of Andrew Clark) of Harwich, Mass.

Children: 12 (Freeman), 6 sons and 6 daughters, all born at Harwich, Mass.

368 i. Lydia,[6] born November 9th, 1733; died ——, at ——; married September 10th, 1761, at ——, to George Conant (as his fourth wife); he was born at Plymouth, Mass., January 13th, 1723; he resided at Plymouth, Mass., and removed to Barnstable, Mass., with his mother in 1736-7, and removed to Becket, Mass., in 1779; he was a merchant and a Revolutionary soldier and one of the most respected citizens of Becket. He died at Becket, Mass., March 3rd, 1792, in his 70th year, and was buried there in churchyard near 1st Cong. Church. He was a son of George Conant, a sailor and fisherman (baptized at Dunsford, 7 miles west of Exeter, Eng., September 9th, 1682, and came over to Plymouth, Mass., 1716, and was drowned there in 1731) and his wife Mary (Howland) Conant, of Plymouth, Mass.

Children: 3 (Conant), sons, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

1. George,[7] born July 27th, 1762; died February 22nd, 1831; married Hannah Walden.
2. Thacher, 1st,[7] born August 13th, 1763; died November 16th (or 18th), 1763, at Barnstable, Mass.
3. Thacher, 2nd,[7] born March 2nd, 1767; died June 19th, 1840; married Elizabeth Manley.

369 ii. Anna,[6] born October 26th, 1735; died ——, at ——; married March 17th, 1757, to Nathan Mayo.

Children: 3 (Mayo), 1 son and 2 daughters.

1. Joshua.[7]
2. Lydia.[7]
3. Mehitable.[7]

370 iii. Susannah,[6] born June 25th, 1737; died February 13th, 1803, in her 66th year at Becket, Mass.;

married September 18th, 1788, at Becket, Mass., to John Austin of Becket, Mass., who died previous to his wife's death.

371 iv. Thacher,[6] born June 23rd, 1739; baptized and joined church 1757.

372 v. Mehitable,[6] born June 23rd, 1741; died ——; married February 9th, 1761, Gideon Snow.

373 vi. Keziah,[6] born August 10th, 1743; died ——; married October 24th, 1764, at Brewster, Mass., to Isaac Clark, born at Harwich (now West Brewster), Mass., April 27th, 1741; died at Becket, Mass., July 3rd, 1798, "in his 58th year;" he resided at Becket, Mass., and was a son of Roland and Lydia (Dillingham) Clark of Brewster, Mass.

Children: 4 (Clark), 2 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Becket, Mass.

1. Dillingham,[7] born August 13th, 1766; died ——; married Abigail Walden.
2. Rebecca,[7] born October 16th, 1771; died ——; married Alpheus Russell.
3. Susanna,[7] born May 9th, 1774; died ——; married George Smith.
4. Isaac,[7] born August 16th, 1779; died ——; married Anna Mack.

374 vii. Joseph, 1st,[6] born September 1st, 1745; died August 5th, 1747, at Harwich, Mass.

375 viii. Joseph, 2nd,[6] born September 18th, 1747; baptized ——, 1757.

376 ix. Rebecca,[6] born July 29th, 1750; died ——; married December 22nd, 1774, to Thomas Stevens.

377 x. Thomas, 1st,[6] born May 30th, 1752.

378 xi. Joshua,[6] born March 7th, 1756.

379 xii. Thomas, 2nd,[6] born ——.

The last child, Thomas, 2nd,[6] Freeman, is given on the authority of Hon. Geo. Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

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116. LYDIA[5] FREEMAN (Lydia[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich, Mass., October 22nd, 1717; baptized 1st Parish, Brewster, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——; married at Harwich, Mass., September 22nd, 1743, to Nath-

aniel Clarke (as his second wife); he was born ——, 1682, at ——; he resided at Harwich, Mass., and Lyme, Conn.; he died ——, at ——; he was a son of Andrew Clarke (born ——, 1662), and his wife Mehitable (Scotto) Clarke, of Plymouth and Harwich, Mass.

Children: 7 (Clarke), 3 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Harwich, Mass.

380 i. Elizabeth,[6] born ——; baptized December 9th, 1744, at Brewster, Mass.

381 ii. Winifred,[6] born ——; baptized June 14th, 1747, at Brewster, Mass.; married N. Berry.

382 iii. Lydia,[6] born ——; baptized May 28th, 1749, at Brewster, Mass.

383 iv. Solomon,[6] born ——; baptized August 18th, 1751, at Brewster, Mass.; died January 11th, 1830, at Brewster; married ——, at ——, to Miriam ——, born ——, at ——; died January 31st, 1835, at Brewster, Mass.

Children: 6 (Clarke), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Brewster, Mass.

1. Lydia,[7] born February 14th, 1773.
2. Solomon,[7] born January 17th, 1775; married Rebecca ——.
3. Miriam,[7] born July 28th, 1781.
4. Nathaniel,[7] born March 22nd, 1783.
5. Sparrow,[7] born September 30th, 1789.
6. Eliza,[7] born ——.

384 v. Enoch,[6] born ——; baptized June 30th, 1754, at Brewster, Mass.; died April 23rd, 1816, at Brewster; married ——, at ——, to Lydia ——, born ——, at ——; died August 7th, 1839, at Brewster, Mass.

Children: 7 (Clarke), 4 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Brewster, Mass.

1. Mehitable,[7] born March 1st, 1783; int. mg. pub. February 2nd, 1806, to Abner Robbins, Jr.
2. Thacher,[7] born August 27th, 1787; married, first, ——; married, second, September 27th, 1848, to Betsey Sears.
3. Anna Freeman,[7] born August 27th, 1790, int. mg. pub. September 22nd, 1810, to Nathaniel Robbins.
4. Hannah,[7] born October 25th, 1792, int. mg. pub. September 19th, 1813, to Winslow Hall.
5. Enoch,[7] born July 25th, 1795; died May 5th, 1834 (or 1835); married Huldah King, int. mg. pub. April 23rd, 1826.

6. Nathan,[7] born March 6th, 1797; int. mg. pub. July 27th, 1824, to Nancy Joy of Boston.
7. Joshua,[7] born July 6th, 1799; int. mg. pub. November 28th, 1824, to Dinah Hall of Dennis.

385 vi. Thacher,[6] born ——, 1756; baptized at Brewster, October 8th, 1758.

386 vii. Mary,[6] born ——, 1756; baptized at Brewster, Sept. 12th, 1756.

(*Thacher* and *Mary* were twins.)

Nathaniel Clarke married, first, April 26th, 1720, to Abigail Hedge, born at Yarmouth, November 16th, 1700; died October 27th, 1732; she was a daughter of John Hedge and Thankful (——) Hedge of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children by his first marriage: 6 (Clarke), 5 sons and 1 daughter. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Barnabas, born February 10th, 1723.
2. Elisha, 1st, born April 24th, 1724; died young.
3. Elisha, 2nd, born May 2nd, 1725.
4. Abigail, born October 18th, 1726; married July 28th, 1745, to John Hall of Yarmouth.
5. John, born June 29th, 1729.
6. Isaac, born May 15th, 1731.

Nathaniel Clarke, Sr., it appears removed to Lyme, Conn., and lived there for a time, as in a deed to his brother Thomas Clarke, of Harwich, he styles himself as "of Lyme," in 1726. How long he remained there is not known; but there is reason to think that he left his children by his first marriage in Lyme and that he returned to Harwich, for an original document of the nature of an agreement between John Dillingham and the three brothers, Thomas, Scotto and Nathaniel Clarke, made in the year 1735 styles Nathaniel Clarke as of Harwich, Mass.

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117. REBECCA[5] FREEMAN (Lydia[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich, Mass., March (or April) 23rd, 1720; baptized 1st Parish, Harwich, March 8th, 1723-4; died ——, at ——; married October 4th, 1744, at ——, to Jonathan Hopkins of Harwich, who removed to "The Oblong" in 1756 [possibly "The Oblong" in Connecticut]. Rebecca[5] (Freeman) Hopkins was dismissed from 1st Parish Church, Harwich, Mass., on August 1st, 1756, to church "in or near the oblong undr ye care of Rev. Mr. Kniblow."

Children: 5 (Hopkins), 2 sons and 3 daughters:

387 i. Edmond,[6] born October 18th, 1745; baptized October 27th, 1745, at Harwich, Mass.

388 ii. Lydia,[6] born July 30th, 1747; baptized August 2nd, 1747, at Harwich, Mass.

389 iii. Mary, 1st,[6] born ——; baptized April 9th, 1749; at Harwich, Mass.

390 iv. Mary, 2nd,[6] born April 6th, 1751.

391 v. Jonathan,[6] born May 29th, 1753; baptized June 3rd, 1753.

Hon. George Thacher, in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* gives the names of the children of Rebecca[5] (Freeman) Hopkins as follows, viz:—

i. Lydia[6].
ii. Mary[6].
iii. Joseph,[6] baptized May 12th, 1751, at Brewster.
iv. Freeman[6].

Jonathan Hopkins, Senior, was born at Harwich, January 12th, 1719-20; he was a son of Joseph and Mary (Mayo) Hopkins of Harwich.

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119. COL. JOHN[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, December 12th, 1709; died ——, 1750-1, in London, Eng. (probably), of smallpox; he resided at Barnstable until 1742, at Falmouth (now Portland), Maine, Gorham, Maine, and Boston, Mass., in 1749, and at various military stations; he was a soldier. He married at Barnstable, March 9th, 1731-2, to Elizabeth Allen, born Barnstable, June 8th, 1713; died at Gloucester, Mass., Dec., 25th, 1786, "in her 73rd year" and was buried at Gloucester, Mass. She was a daughter of James Allyn (born July 1st, 1691; died October 8th, 1741; married July 24th, 1712), and Susannah (Lewis) Allyn (born April 17th, 1694; died October 4th, 1753; daughter of Ebenezer and Anna (Lothrop) Lewis) of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 15 (Gorham), 7 sons and 8 daughters; first 7 born at Barnstable, 8 and 9 on Casco Bay, 10 at sea, rest at Boston, Mass.

392 i. Susannah, 1st,[6] born November 21st, 1732; died March 16th, 1738, at Barnstable, and buried there.

393 ii. Mary, 1st,[6] born December 3rd, 1733; died January 8th, 1738, at Barnstable, and buried there.

394 iii. Anna,[6] born July 28th, 1735; died March 18th, 1738, at Barnstable, and buried there.

395 iv. John,[6] born December 26th, 1736; died February 16th, 1758, drowned at sea; not married.

396 v. Christopher,[6] born January 10th, 1738; died October 11th, 1762, at Havana, W. I., and was buried there; not married.

397 vi. Elizabeth,[6] born December 10th, 1739; baptized December 16th, 1739; died March 14th, 1769; married November 6th, 1759, at Gloucester, Mass., to Daniel Rogers, of Gloucester, Mass., as his first wife; he born October 6th, 1734, at Kittery, Maine; he was a merchant in the shipping business and foreign commerce, a man of large wealth; he died January 4th, 1799 (or January 15th, 1800), aged 66, at Gloucester, Mass. He was a son of Rev. John Rogers (born ——, 1692, at Ipswich, Mass.; died October 16th, 1773, at Kittery, Maine; H. C. 1711; married October 16th, 1718), and his wife Susannah (Whipple) Rogers (daughter of Major John and Katherine (Leighton) Whipple), who was born April 3rd, 1696; died October 22nd, 1779, of Kittery, Maine. Daniel Rogers married, second, March 2nd, 1770, to Rachel Ellery (daughter of —— Ellery and his wife —— (Stevens) Ellery, who was a daughter of Col. John Stevens of Gloucester, Mass.).

Children: first marriage, 4 (Rogers), 2 sons and 2 daughters.

1. John Gorham,[7] born ——; died ——; married Mercy Rogers.
2. Charles,[7] born ——; died ——; married Elizabeth Rogers.
3. Lucy,[7] born ——; died ——; married John Low.
4. Elizabeth,[7] born ——; died ——; married Davis Low.

Children: second marriage (*inter alios*), 3 (Rogers), *not in Thacher line.*

1. Timothy, born ——; died ——; a merchant in Boston.
2. Daniel, born ——; died October 15th, 1819; H. C. 1798; a merchant in Gloucester.
3. Esther, born ——; died ——; married John Rowe, a lawyer of Gloucester and Quincy, Mass.

398 vii. Daniel,[6] born February 26th, 1740-1; baptized March 1st, 1740-1; died June 24th, 1741, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there.

399 viii. James Allyn, 1st,[6] born August 23rd, 1742; died September 9th, 1742, on Casco Bay, and was buried there.

400 ix. Charles,[6] born August 10th, 1743; died ——, 1762, at Grenada; not married.

401 x. Sea Deliverance,[6] born July 10th, 1744, on vessel bound for Cape Cod; baptized July 22nd, 1744, at East Church, Barnstable; died August 30th, 1745, at Boston, Mass.

402 xi. James Allyn, 2nd,[6] born August 3rd, 1745; died April 4th, 1746, at Boston, Mass.

403 xii. Mary, 2nd,[6] born March 10th, 1747; died September 10th, 1810; married ——, 1767, at Gloucester, Mass., to Eben (or Ebenezer) Parsons, born ——, 1746, at Gloucester, Mass.; died ——, 1819, at Byfield, Mass., on his farm there; he was a merchant in Gloucester and Boston, Mass.; he was a son of Rev. Moses Parsons (born ——, 1716; died December 14th, 1783; married January 11th, 1742; H. C. 1736) and Susannah (Davis) Parsons (daughter of Ebenezer Davis) who resided at Gloucester and Byfield, Mass.

Child: 1 (Parsons), born in Gloucester, Mass.

1. Gorham,[7] born ——, 1768; died ——, 1843, at Byfield, Mass.; married Sarah Parsons.

404 xiii. Solomon,[6] born October 31st, 1748; died December 20th (or 21st), 1795; at Gloucester, Mass.; married ——, at ——, to Sarah Giddings.

Child: 1 (Gorham), daughter.

1. Judith,[7] born ——; died ——; married Sewall Lancaster of Scarborough, Maine (son of Rev. Mr. Lancaster). Children: 3 (Lancaster), 2 sons and 1 daughter: 1. Sarah Parsons[8]; 2. Thomas Sewall[8]; 3. John Park Little.[8]

405 xiv. Susannah, 2nd,[6] born October 24th, 1749; died December 3rd, 1749, at Boston, Mass.

406 xv. Susannah, 3rd,[6] born June 29th, 1751.

Elizabeth (Allen) Gorham (widow of Col. John[5] Gorham) married, second, ——, 1754, to Colonel John Stevens (as his second wife; his first wife was Rachel Allen, whom he married in 1729), of Gloucester, Mass.; he was a merchant; he was born at Gloucester, ——, 1707; died April 13th, 1779, aged 72, at Gloucester, Mass.; he was a son of Samuel and Mary (Ellery) Stevens of Gloucester, Mass.

Col. John[5] Gorham resided at Barnstable, Mass., until 1742. In 1743 he was granted 400 acres at Gorham, Maine, on condition that he should finish the saw-mill and grist-mill that he had begun there. He did not become a permanent resident of Gorham. In

1744 he was stationed in command of a body of provincial troops at Annapolis Royal, which place was threatened by the enemy; and he was sent by Governor Mascarene to Boston to raise troops for its defense. While in Boston he was induced by Governor Shirley to join the expedition there fitting out against Cape Bréton. Having raised a number of men for that expedition, he received the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel in his father's regiment of provincials, and was put in charge of the whale boats which were to land the troops. On the death of his father at Louisburg he was promoted by General Pepperell to be full Colonel. The following letter was written by him July 5th, 1751, from Halifax, N. S., to General Pepperell, viz:—"I was sent up to recruit from Annapolis Royal by Governor Mascarene, as that fort was then in great danger of falling into the hands of the enemy; and this expedition being then in embryo, I was importuned by Governor Shirley, and desired by your Honor and many more of the Council to raise a number of men and purchase whale boats and proceed on the expedition; as I did upon condition of my having the liberty of going home with your Honor's packet in my own sloop, once the English flag should be hoisted at Louisburg. But I was disappointed in this, and received no commission in his Royal Regiment. My father died and most of his Regiment at Louisburg. But I thank you for giving me the commission of Colonel in my father's regiment, and now I solicit a letter of recommendation abroad and assistance to carry through my memorial to the Legislature of Massachusetts."

Colonel Gorham returned to Annapolis Royal after the capture of Louisburg, and received from Governor Shirley the command of the New England troops sent to Minas with Colonel Noble, but he was not present in the engagement with the French at Grand Pré, where Noble, who was in command, was killed. He had afterwards command of a body of Rangers comprised principally of Indians raised in New England for service in Acadia. Colonel Gorham came from Annapolis with the Rangers to Chebucto in June, 1749, and was appointed to the Council of Governor Cornwallis and was present at the first meeting of July 14th, 1749. It is uncertain whether he held a seat in the Council at Annapolis, as there are no records of that Council to be found between 1745 and 1749, and but one entry in 1748, in which his name does not appear. Cornwallis however assigned him a place at the Board above those gentlemen who came with him from England. He is called Captain in the last of Cornwallis' Council, which was probably his rank in the Regular (or Royal) Army, that of Colonel being only his Militia Rank. He was recommended to the consideration of the Government by General Pepperell for his services at Louisburg, and it is probable that the rank of Captain in the Royal troops was then conferred upon him. Colonel Gorham's name is among those of the Council at a meeting on July 11th, 1751. He must have died soon thereafter, for an inventory of his estate is in the Suffolk County Probate Records of Massachusetts dated

May 7th, 1752. His widow afterwards married Col. John Stevens and moved to Gloucester, Mass. At the close of the French War, Col. John[5] Gorham and wife visited Europe and were presented at the Court of St. James and had an audience with the King, an honor very marked in those days.

The following is the inscription on the grave of Elizabeth (Allen) Gorham-Stevens:—

"She supported through life the Christian Character, and moved in the various circles of domestic life with honor and dignity.

The affectionate wife
The tender mother
The exemplary widow
The pious friend."

Col. John[5] Gorham died in London, England, of smallpox, while there prosecuting his claim for expenses in the Louisburg expedition; and he was probably buried there.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

120. COL. DAVID[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., April 6th, 1712; died January 2nd, 1786, aged 74, and was buried at Barnstable in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying ground, gravestone. He resided at Barnstable, Mass., where he was a Colonel in the Military Service and Registrar of Deeds. He married, first, August 2nd, 1733, at ——, to Abigail Sturgis, born ——, 1712, about, see age at death and date of death; she died at Barnstable, February 11th, 1775, "in 63rd year" and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying ground, gravestone. He married, second, ——, 1775, at ——, to Elizabeth Stevens of Truro, Mass., born October —, 1725, at ——; died March 29th, 1784, at Barnstable, Mass., aged 58 years, 5 months, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying ground, gravestone. He married, a third time, June 17th, 1783-4, at ——, to Hannah (Davis)) Davis (widow of Isaac Davis of Barnstable). She was born at Barnstable, May 31st, 1731, and died there at the home of Ebenezer Sturgis, October 3rd, 1810 (or 1812), aged 79 years, 3 months, and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying ground, gravestone. She was a daughter of James Davis (born July 30th, 1700; married January 4th, 1727-8), and Thankful (Hinckley) Davis (died August 20th, 1745, aged 38), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: first marriage, 10 (Gorham), 6 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

407 i. David,[6] born August 24th, 1735; died young, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there; not married.

408 ii. Elizabeth,[6] born August 22nd, 1737; died October 2nd, 1759, at Barnstable, Mass., aged 22 years, 1 month, and was buried at Goodspeed's Hill (East) Burying-ground; not married.

409 iii. Edward,[6] born April 23rd, 1739; died young; he was living in 1756 and probably died soon thereafter.

410 iv. Lydia,[6] born May 30th, 1741; died April 14th, 1803 (or 1813), at Gorham, Maine, at house of her brother William[6] Gorham; she married, January 26th (or 28th), 1764, at Barnstable, Mass., to Captain Edward Bacon, born October 19th, 1742, at Barnstable; died August 20th, 1811, at ——; he was a son of Hon. Edward Bacon (born January 23rd, 1714-5; died March 16th, 1783; married September 2nd, 1740), and Patience (Marston) Bacon (born January 1st, 1720; died October 21st, 1764, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Goodspeed) Marston) of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 2 (Bacon), 1 son and 1 daughter.

1. Betsey,[7] born ——; died ——; married Richard Jackson. Children: 2 (Jackson), sons: 1. John;[8] 2. Joseph.[8]
2. Henry,[7] born ——; died ——; married Abigail (Nabby) Gorham.

The *History of Gorham, Maine,* says that Lydia[6] (Gorham) Bacon died *a widow,* on April 4th, 1803; *Freeman's Cape Cod* says that Edward Bacon, her husband, died August 20th, 1811. These two statements are at variance. If she was *a widow* at time of her death she must, if Freeman is correct, have died subsequent to August 20th, 1811. I am inclined to think that she died in 1813 (not 1803). I give the statements as I have gathered them, but am not positive as to their correctness. *Otis' Barnstable Families,* Vol. I, p. 27, says that Hon. Edward Bacon married Patience Marston, September 7th, 1744. Freeman, Vol. I, p. 354, says that he married her September 2nd, 1740, which latter date, must be correct, as his son Edward (who married Lydia[6] Thacher) was born October 19th, 1742.

411 v. Hon. William,[6] born July 12th, 1743; died July 22nd, 1804, at Gorham, Maine; he resided after 1760 at Gorham, Maine, where he was Judge of Probate and Judge of Court of Common Pleas; he married, 1st, October 26th, 1769, at Scituate, Mass., to Temperance (Clap) White (widow of Joseph White, of Scituate, Mass., born ——, 1745 (see age at death and date of death); died April 14th, 1788, aged 43, at Gorham, Maine. He married, second, March 8th, 1789 (int. pub., February 28th, 1789), at Gorham, Maine, to Temperance Garret, born ——, at ——; died ——, 1840, at Providence, R. I. Temperance (Garrett) Gorham (widow of William[6] Gorham) married a second time, to Dr. Jeremiah Barker, as his fourth or fifth wife; and she survived him. Dr. Jeremiah Barker was a son of Samuel and Patience[4] (Howland) Barker of Scituate, Mass. (See Nos. 191, 414 and 634.)

Children: first marriage, 2 (Gorham), both born at Gorham, Maine.

1. Frances, 1st,[7] born ——; died young.
2. Frances, 2nd,[7] born April 22nd, 1774-5; died ——; married December 11th, 1796 (int. pub., Gorham, Maine, November 26th, 1796), at Gorham, Maine, to James Tyler.

Children, second marriage, none.

412 vi. Shubael, 1st,[6] born February 3rd, 1745; died ——, 1748, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there.

413 vii. Benjamin,[6] born February 23rd, 1747; died ——, shortly after 1791, at Barnstable, Mass.; married October 15th, 1775, at Barnstable, to Desire[6] Thacher daughter of John[5] and Content (Norton) Thacher (see No. 324), born July 18th, 1745, at Barnstable; died March 4th, 1824, at Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 6 (Gorham), 5 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable, Mass. For record of these children, see record No. 324 of Desire[6] Thacher *et sequentia.*

414 viii. Abigail,[6] born March 5th, 1749; died June 29th, 1790, at Falmouth, Maine; she married, October 12th, 1775, at Barnstable, to Dr. Jeremith Barker (as his first wife), son of Samuel Barker of Scituate, Mass., and his wife Patience[5] (Howland) Barker, who was a descendant of Bethia[3] Thacher by her husband Jabez Howland. Dr. Jeremiah Barker was born March 31st, 1752, at Scituate, Mass.; he resided at Gorham, Maine, and was a

physician and surgeon, and served as a Surgeon in the Revolutionary War; he died at Gorham, Maine, October 3rd, 1834, aged 84.

Children: 5 (Barker), 2 sons and 3 daughters.

1. Jeremiah C.,[7] born ——, 1778; died December 19th, 1810; aged 32, at sea.
2. Mary Gorham,[7] born August 20th, 1781; died ——; married October 13th, 1800, at Stroudwater to Daniel Johnson of Portland, Maine.
3. David,[7] born March 7th, 1784; died ——; married ——, Deborah Josslyn of Pembroke, Mass. He was a physician and lived in Durham and Sedgwick, Maine, in which latter place he died.
4. Elizabeth,[7] born January 29th, 1787; died ——; married Rev. Samuel Clarke.
5. Abigail Gorham,[7] born ——; died ——; married John Johnson of Providence, R. I., on May 19th, 1817, at Gorham, Maine.

Dr. Jeremiah Barker married, second, December 17th, 1790, at Gorham, Maine (int. pub., at Gorham, October 23rd, 1790), to Susanna Garret (a sister of Temperance Garrett, who was the 2nd wife of William[6] Gorham (No. 411) and who after the death of William[6] Gorham became the fourth or fifth wife of Dr. Jeremiah Barker); she was born ——, 1769; and died June 3rd, 1794, aged 25; children, none. Dr. Jeremiah Barker married, third, ——, at ——, to Eunice Riggs (daughter of Jeremiah Riggs) who died November 10th, 1799, aged 29; no children. The int. of marriage of Dr. Jeremiah Barker of Falmouth, Maine, and Mary Williams is recorded at Gorham, Maine, July 2nd, 1802; but no record of the marriage is found. Dr. Jeremiah Barker married, a fourth or fifth time, at Gorham, Maine, March 17th, 1808, to Mrs. Temperance (Garrett) Gorham (widow of his brother-in-law William[6] Gorham, No. 411; and sister of Dr. Barker's second wife, Susannah Garrett). She died ——, 1840, at Providence, R. I., at home of her stepdaughter Abigail Gorham (Barker) Johnson. Children, none.

Dr. Jeremiah Barker was the son of Samuel Barker of Scituate, Mass., and his wife Patience[5] Howland. Patience[5] Howland was a daughter of Jabez[4] and Patience (Stafford) Howland. Jabez[4] Howland was a son of Bethia[3] Thacher by

her husband Jabez Howland; Bethia[3] Thacher was a daughter of Antony[2] and Elizabeth (Jones) Thacher. Hence we see that both Dr. Barker and his first wife were both descendants of Antony[2] Thacher. Dr. Jeremiah Barker was educated by Rev. Mr. Cutler of the Congregational Church in Scituate, Mass., from whom he received a thorough education in the classics; he never entered college. He went to Cambridge, Mass., and studied medicine and surgery under Dr. Lincoln of that town, and served as a surgeon in the Revolutionary War. At close of that War he went to Barnstable where he practiced a while, and then removed to Gorham, Maine, under the influence of his brother-in-law, William[6] Gorham, who had settled there. After a few years he removed to Falmouth (now Portland), Maine, where he resided until 1808, when, after his last marriage, he returned to Gorham, Maine, where he lived and died.

415 ix. Shubael, 2nd,[6] born February 18th, 1751-2; died ——, at sea, leaving no issue.

416 x. Mary,[6] born May 21st, 1745; died July 8th, 1780, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill (West) Burying-ground, gravestone; she married ——, 1778, at ——, to Dr. William Prentiss (son of Caleb and Lydia (Whitmore) Prentiss of Cambridge, Mass.), born at Cambridge, Mass., December 1st, 1754; died ——, at London, England. He was a physician and resided in Philadelphia, Pa., where he was in good practice at the time of the plague there. Children, none.

Children, second marriage, none.

Children, third marriage, none.

Col. David[5] Gorham resided on the old homestead in Barnstable; his dwelling house was afterwards the home of Dr. John Davis and of his son Dr. Job C. Davis. He was with his brother Col. John[5] Gorham at Cape Breton and at the taking of Louisburg and had other military experience. During the Revolution some parties unjustly charged him with being a Tory, because he would not advocate the extreme measures of the younger men. He was for many years Registrar of Probate and kept the Records very carefully. He was in public life, active, energetic and capable,—but was never a popular man.

Ebenezer Sturgis and Ebenezer Bacon, Esq., took care of the property of Hannah (Davis) Gorham, widow of Col. David[5] Gorham and provided for her support during the latter part of her life.

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121. MARY[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, February 7th, 1714; died ——, at ——; married October 24th, 1734, at Barnstable, to Stephen Clap of Scituate, Mass. He was born October 4th, 1706, at Scituate, Mass.; died ——, at ——. He was a son of Deacon Stephen Clap (born March 4th, 1670; died December 11th, 1756, aged 86; married Dec. 24th, 1696; Lieut. in militia, Rep. G. C. 1720) and Temperance (Gorham) Clap (born August 6th, 1678) of Scituate, Mass.

Children: None.

The Clapp Family, p. 114, says that the above "Stephen Clapp probably never married, and if he did, had no issue. There was a Stephen Clapp who married Mrs. Mary Gorham in Barnstable, October 24th, 1734, who may have been he." In absence of proof to the contrary I have assumed the above Stephen Clapp to have been the one who married Mary[5] Gorham.

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123. LYDIA[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, June 28th, 1718; died November 9th, 1740, aged 22, at Barnstable, and was buried there; married July 27th, 1737, at Barnstable, Mass., to Dr. James Hersey, born at Hingham, Mass., December 21st, 1716; he resided at Barnstable, Mass., where he was a physician. He died at Barnstable, July 22nd, 1741, and was buried there. He was a son of James Hersey (born May 23rd, 1682; died September 19th, 1723; married January 3rd, 1705-6) and his wife Mary (Hawke) Hersey (born July 6th, 1685; died July 3rd, 1770) of Hingham, Mass.

Child: 1 (Hersey) son, born at Barnstable, Mass.

417 i. James,[6] born November 9th, 1738; died ——, 1758, aged 20. Not married.

Dr. James Hersey married, second, April 9th, 1741, to Mehitable Davis (daughter of John Davis, Esq., of Barnstable), by whom he had a son Ezekiel (*not in Thacher line*), born in Barnstable, January 14th, 1741-2 (5 months and 22 days after death of his father). Mehitable Davis was born in Barnstable, August 10th, 1717, and died ——, 1804, aged 87.

Mehitable (Davis) Hersey married, second, October 21st, 1744, to John Russell (son of Dr. John Russell of Barnstable), by whom she had one son, John Russell, baptized September 4th, 1748. John Russell, Sr., died August 1st, 1748.

Mehitable (Davis) Hersey-Russell married, third, May 9th, 1754, to John Sturgis, as his second wife, by whom she had two (Sturgis) children, viz:—

1. Sarah, born Thursday, April 17th, 1755, at 3.30 o'clock, A. M.
2. John, baptized March 19th, 1758.

John Sturgis, her third husband, died August 15th, 1759, aged 56; his first wife was Mehitable Crocker, whom he married March 21st, 1734.

Mehitable (Davis) Hersey-Russell-Sturgis, married fourth, July 7th, 1761, to Hon. Daniel Davis, as his second wife, by whom she had one son, Daniel Davis, born May 8th, 1762. Daniel Davis' first wife was Mehitable (Lothrop) Davis (daughter of Thomas Lothrop). Daniel Davis, Senior, died April 22nd, 1799, aged 85 years, 6 months and 13 days.

Dr. James Hersey settled as a physician in Barnstable and purchased a part of the Dimmock estate, which included the ancient stone house built by Elder Thomas Dimmock. A tradition existed that he lived in a house that stood east of stone house, but Amos Otis thought it more probable that he lived in the stone house which he owned and which at that time was in good repair. He did not receive a college education but was none the less a well educated man, and Dr. James Thacher, who studied medicine under him, speaks of him as a skilful physician who had acquired an extensive practice at that time in Barnstable County.

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125. HANNAH[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., May 1st, 1721; died ——, at ——; married July 24th, 1748, at ——, to Edward Crosby.

Children: 2 (Crosby), 1 son and 1 daughter.

418 i. Edward,[6] born ——; died ——; he did not marry; he was a Captain "in the 18th Regiment of the English Army."

419 ii. Mary (Polly),[6] born ——; died ——; married, first, ——, int. pub., February 11th, 1769, to Elisha Gray, by whom she had three (3) (Gray) children:

1. Edward,[7] born ——; died ——; not married.
2. William,[7] born ——; died ——; not married.

3. Joseph Gorham,[7] born ——; died ——; not married.

She married, second, date ——, to David Loring, by whom she had 4 (Loring) children: 2 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Sally Lewis[7].
2. Mary (Polly)[7].
3. John[7].
4. Elisha,[7] who married Hannah Hawes and had two (Loring) children, 1 son and 1 daughter: 1. David,[8] who married Elizabeth Kelley, and had: 1. Joseph Gray[9]; 2. Hannah Gorham[9]. 2. Sally Lewis[8].

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127. MAJOR GENERAL JOSEPH[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born May 29th, 1725; died ——, subsequent to April 29th, 1790; he lived in Barnstable, Mass., and removed to Annapolis, Nova Scotia, in 1750; he was a soldier and a Royalist in the Revolutionary War; he married ——, at ——, to Ann Spry, a lady of English descent by whom he had the following:—

Children, 11 (Gorham), six sons and five daughters.

420 i. Joseph[6].
421 ii. William[6].
422 iii. Amherst[6].
423 iv. James Wolf[6].
424 v. John[6].
425 vi. Benjamin[6].
426 vii. Mary[6].
427 viii. Anna[6].
428 ix. Lydia[6].
429 x. Abigail[6].

CORRECTIONS:

Page 159. Record No. 185. The parenthesis about and interrogation point after "third, Daniel Green" should be omitted and Green should be spelled Greene. [Bethiah[5] Howland did marry Daniel Greene as her 3rd husband.]

Page 162. Record No. 204. Joseph Wardwell should read John Wardwell.

Page 192. Record No. 104. Last sentence should read: She was a daughter of Samuel Norton. Esq. (b. ——, about 1673; d. February 16th, 1760, at Chilmark, Mass.; gravestone), and his wife Content (Coggeshall) Norton (born May 10th, 1676, at Newport, R. I.; died August 1st, 1739, "in 63rd year of her age"), of Chilmark, Mass. Content Coggeshall was the daughter of John and his 2nd wife (whom he married December 2nd, 1655) Patience (Throgmorton) Coggeshall.—Authority: Winthrop Witherbee, Esq., P. O. Box 3493, Boston, Mass.

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PART X.

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430 xi. Charlotte Spry,[6] born ——; died ——, 1807; married, first, ——, at ——, to ——; married, second, Sir John Jackson, by whom she had, amongst others, the following child:

1. Welby Brown[7] Jackson, who married and had a son, Louis d'Aguilar[8] Jackson, born April 20th, 1804.

Joseph[5] Gorham was a distinguished soldier; he was perhaps with his father at Louisburg in 1745; he was a Lieutenant of Rangers under Governor Cornwallis in 1749; and a Captain of Rangers under General Amherst in 1758-9. About this latter date he went to England to endeavor to have the Rangers put in the establishment of the Regular troops; and was the bearer of a letter from General Amherst to Governor Lawrence, dated April 30th, 1760, from which the following is an extract:—

"I send you this by Captain Gorham, who is lately returned from England, where he has been to endeavor to get rank and to get his company put in the establishment; concerning which Lord Barrington has desired my opinion which I have given him as far as relates to Captain Gorham personally, and I make no doubt but he will be promoted, as he is very deserving of it. I have as yet suspended my judgment in regard to the establishment of his Company. His is certainly the best I have seen of the Rangers; but the best, according to me, is no extraordinary thing. However, if you think that the augmenting of that company, or the establishment of two, would be of any real service or advantage to the Province of Nova Scotia, I shall upon your answer recommend the affair to the Secretary of War."

The establishment of Gorham's Rangers as regular troops under Joseph Gorham as Major Commandant dates from September 25th, 1761. In 1763 his troops were disbanded; and on September of that year he again went to England, and was appointed a member of the Halifax Council, taking his seat on December 20th, 1766. In 1770 he became Lieutenant Governor of Placentia in Newfoundland. In May, 1772, he became a Lieutenant Colonel and in June of that year vacated his seat in the Halifax Council. In 1776 he was in command of Fort Cumberland. May 16, 1782, he became a Colonel; and on April 29th, 1790, he was appointed a Major General, dying soon after, probably.

Hon. George Thacher, in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* gives the first two children of Joseph[5] Gorham, viz:—Joseph[6] and William,[6] as one child named Joseph William[6]; but Amos Otis gives them as I have recorded them, the sons being grouped in sequence and the daughters likewise, with no dates of their respective births.

Ann Spry was a sister of William Spry, Judge of the English Court of Admiralty at Halifax, Nova Scotia. They both came to Nova Scotia with another sister, Emily, arriving at Halifax, September 25th, 1764.

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128. BENJAMIN[5] GORHAM (Mary[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, June 5th, 1726; he resided at Barnstable, where he was a ship master; he died ——, at ——; he married ——, at ——, to Nancy (or Ann) Hinckley of Barnstable, Mass., born ——; died ——. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Hinckley, a ship master of Barnstable (born Braintree, Mass., March 14th, 1713; died ——, in West Indies; married July 11th, 1732), and Hannah (Nightingale) Hinckley.*

Children: 5 (Gorham), 4 sons and 1 daughter, all born in Barnstable, Mass.

431 i. James,[6] born ——; died ——; married Charlotte Kneeland; he was a merchant in Cuba, W. I.

Children: 3 (Gorham), 1 son and 2 daughters.

1. Charlotte,[7] born ——; died ——; married Joseph Palmer, M. D., of Boston, Mass.
2. Matilda,[7] born ——; died ——; married F. P. Leverett of Boston.
3. John G.,[7] born ——; died ——; married Eliza A. Farwell and settled on a farm in Billerica, Mass.

432 ii. Benjamin,[6] born ——; died ——; he was a ship master; he first married ——, at ——, to Nancy Kneeland, born ——; died ——; married, second, to Frances Harrison (daughter of James Harrison), (*Otis' Barnstable Families* says her maiden surname was Harrington), born ——; died ——.

Children, first marriage: 3 (Gorham), 1 son and 2 daughters.

1. James Lane,[7] born ——; died ——; married Jerusha Ann Wright; he was a Boston merchant, and lived at Jamaica Plain, Mass.
2. Ellen,[7] born ——; died ——.
3. Charlotte,[7] born ——; died ——; married H. Fowle.

Child, second marriage: 1 (Gorham), daughter.

4. Lydia,[7] born ——; died ——; married —— Snow.

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* Under record of Mary[4] Thacher (No. 47), her 10th child, Benjamin[5] Gorham (No. 128) is stated to have married twice: 1st to Nancy Hinckley, and 2nd to Ellen Rankin. This statement as to 2nd marriage is incorrect; he only married once, and to Nancy Hinckley.

433 iii. Samuel,[6] born ——; died ——; married, first, ——; married, second, Ellen Rankin. He settled in New York City.

Child by second marriage: 1 (Gorham), daughter.

1. Antoinette,[7] born ——; died ——; married Anthony Hoguet of New York City.

434 iv. John,[6] born ——; died ——, young.

435 v. Nancy,[6] born ——; died ——; married, first, Anthony Glean of Cuba, W. I.; married, second, James Macomb of Matanzas (Otis says Matamoras).

Children, first marriage: 3 (Glean), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

1. Francis,[7] born ——; died ——; married —— Jenkins of Brooklyn, N. Y.
2. Anita,[7] born ——; died ——; married John Philpot Curran Thompson.
3. James,[7] born ——.

Children, second marriage: 3 (Macomb), 1 son and 2 daughters.

4. Frances,[7] born ——; died ——; married, first, Israel Thorndike, Jr.; married, second, —— Tessane of Cuba, W. I.
5. Thomas,[7] born ——; died ——; married —— Chartrand.
6. Louisa,[7] born ——; died ——; married John Chartrand.

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129. REV. JOSIAH[5] CROCKER (Desire[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., October 30th, 1719. Harvard College, 1738; died at Taunton, Mass., August 28th, 1774, "in 55th year of his age", and was buried at Taunton, Mass., gravestone. He married, first, at Barnstable, Mass. (probably), July 28th, 1742, to Rebecca Allyn, born ——, 1723, at Barnstable, Mass.; died September 28th, 1759, at Taunton, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone. She was a daughter of James Allyn (born ——, 1691; died October 8th, 1741; married July 24th, 1712), and Susannah (Lewis) Allyn (born April 17th, 1694; died October 4th, 1753), of Barnstable, Mass. He married, second, November 5th, 1761, at ——, to Hannah Cobb of Attleborough, Mass., daughter of Colonel Thomas Cobb and his wife Lydia (Leonard) Cobb of Attleborough, Mass. Lydia Leonard was daughter of James Leonard (born May 11th, 1677; died

January 16th, 1764), and his second wife Lydia (Gulliver) Gulliver (widow of John Gulliver and daughter of Jonathan Gulliver of Milton, Mass.).

Children, first marriage: 7 (Crocker), 6 sons and 1 daughter.

436 i. Josiah,[6] born ——; died ——; married Abigail Leonard (daughter of Zephaniah Leonard).

Children: 5 (Crocker), amongst whom was

1. William Augustus,[7] born ——; died ——; married Sally (Ingell) Richmond (widow of Charles Richmond, and daughter of Captain Jonathan Ingell), by whom he had Children: 3 (Crocker), sons: 1. William,[8] born——; died ——; married —— Thomas (granddaughter of Isaiah Thomas, and sister of B. F. Thomas of Worcester, Mass. 2. Samuel Leonard,[8] born March 31st, 1804; died February 10th, 1883. 3. ——, ——.

437 ii. Benjamin.[6]
438 iii. Allyn.[6]
439 iv. Joseph.[6]
440 v. William.[6]
441 vi. Ebenezer.[6]
442 vii. Rebecca.[6]

Children, by second marriage: 2 (Crocker), 1 son and 1 daughter.

443 viii. Leonard,[6] born October 2nd, 1762.
444 ix. Hannah,[6] born October 18th, 1765.

Rev. Josiah[5] Crocker was the friend of Whitfield and in some traits resembled him. At the early age of 15 he entered College and was ordained at the age of 23. He was of an ardent temperament; zealous and earnest, yet tender and persuasive in his manner. Like other zealous men, he was not always cautious in his expressions. He had many warm friends and some enemies. His call to Taunton was not unanimous, and there were always some who opposed him. He was dismissed from his charge December 1st, 1774, but continued to live in Taunton until his death. His earnest and persuasive manner drew together a large audience when it was known that he was to preach. His granddaughter Hannah M. Crocker was the author of the "Rights of Woman," published in 1818.

A memorial tablet has been erected to commemorate the location of the house of Rev. Josiah[5] Crocker, 1742-1774, on the southeast corner of Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Taunton, Mass. He was the sixth minister of Taunton.

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131. LYDIA[5] OTIS (Hannah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born January 20th, 1716-17, at ——; died January 1st, 1807, aged 91, at ——. She married, first, June 26th, 1740, at Colchester, Conn. (by Rev. Ephraim Little, pastor of First Congregational Church of Westchester), to Abner Kellogg, born 1716, about (see age at death and date of death), at Colchester, Conn.; he resided at Colchester, Conn., where he was a farmer, probably; he died at Colchester, Conn., November 18th, 1754, aged 38, and was buried in old burying ground there, gravestone. He was a son of Lieutenant Nathaniel Kellogg (born ——; died ——, 1757, in 86th year, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there), and Margaret —— (born ——; died December 13th, 1747, in 71st year, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there), of Colchester, Conn. She married, second, March 19th, 1761, at Colchester, Conn. (by Rev. Ephraim Little of First Congregational Church, Westchester), to Captain Amos Thomas, born ——, 1696 (see age at death and date of death), of Lebanon, Conn.; he died December 17th, 1781, aged 85, at ——. His occupation and parentage are unknown to me.

Children, first marriage: 7 (Kellogg), 4 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Colchester, Conn.

445 i. Delight,[6] born April 6th, 1741; died November 8th, 1749, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there.

446 ii. Lydia,[6] born January 15th, 1742-3; died April 14th, 1759, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there.

447 iii. David,[6] born August 26th, 1744; died March 10th, 1826, at Essex, Vermont; he lived at Colchester, Conn., until 1771, removed to Lee, Mass., in 1786; he removed thence to Essex, Vermont. He married, first, at ——, date of marriage ——, to Elinor Williams, born March 12th, 1747, at Lebanon, Conn.; died May 10th, 1805, at Essex, Vermont. She was a daughter of Isaiah Williams and Jerusha (——) Williams of Lebanon, Conn. He married, second, January 20th, 1807, at ——, to Sarah Redington Tyler of Vergennes, Vermont, who died April 12th, 1844, aged 86.

Children, by first marriage: 11 (Kellogg), 4 sons and 7 daughters (including 1 daughter, Adosia, who was adopted).

1. Lydia,[7] born October 4th, 1766, at Colchester, baptized there June 5th, 1768; died ——; married —— Pierce.

2. Rhoda,[7] born September 24th, 1768, at Colchester, baptized there October 2nd, 1768; died ——; married Stephen Lawrence, and had 1 child.
3. Russell,[7] born June 1st, 1770, at Colchester, Baptized there July 8th, 1770; died April 16th, 1845, at Essex, Vermont; married February 21st, 1796, to Elizabeth Atherton of Athol, Mass., born February 19th, 1768; died September 18th, 1857, and had 9 children.
4. Adosia[7] (adopted), born March 27th, 1772, at Colchester; died October 6th, 1808; married January 31st, 1795, to Ichabod Post, born Hebron, Conn., August 31st, 1768. He was of Middlefield and Hinsdale, Mass.; 6 children.
5. David,[7] born January 5th, 1775, at Lee, Mass., died September 26th, 1848; he lived at Essex, Vermont, and Massena, N. Y.; married February 16th, 1806, to Maria Henrietta Wells of Jericho, Vermont; born December 17th, 1778; died March ——, 1879; 5 children.
6. Wealthy,[7] born May 15th, 1777, at Lee, Mass.; died June 14th, 1815, at Essex, Vt., where she is buried; married at Jericho, Vt., December 26th, 1799, to John Frederick Aubery of Jericho, born England —— 17, ——; died December ——, 1852; 7 children.
7. Hannah,[7] born July 18th, 1779, at Lee, Mass.; died October 14th, 1848, aged 69, and was buried at Essex, Vt.; married ——, 1815 (about), to John Frederick Aubery (her brother-in-law, her deceased sister Hannah's husband), born ——, England; died December ——, 1852, at New Haven, Conn. Child: 1 daughter.
8. Ira,[7] born July 10th, 1781, at Essex, Vt.; died before September 24th, 1828, at Detroit, Mich.; married to Nancy Mathews and had 4 children. His widow married, second, to Daniel Tilden.
9. Otis,[7] born March 23rd, 1783, at Lee, Mass.; died July 31st, 1833, at Essex, Vt.; married, first, December 4, 1806, to Mabel Thompson (daughter of Ebenezer and Sarah (Aplin) Thompson), born August 17th, 1786; died ——, 1830. He married, second, January 25th, 1830, to Almeda Butler. He was a

farmer and deacon in Essex, Vt., Congregational Church for 30 years; 6 children by first wife.

10. Laura,[7] born ——; died ——; not married.

11. Nancy,[7] born ——; died ——; married ——, 1812, Ebenezer E. Thompson (son of Ebenezer and Sarah (Aplin) Thompson of Swansey and Essex, Vt.), born Smithfield, R. I., November 25th, 1785; died Essex, Vt., July 17th, 1862. He was a farmer and brickmaker in Essex, Vt. He married, second, February 7th, 1832, to Mercy Cole. Children, by first marriage, 10; by second marriage, 2.

Hine's Lebanon says that Isaiah Williams (son of Daniel and Lydia (Abel) Williams) was born in Lebanon, Conn., March 1st, 1715; and *Bailey's Conn. Marriages,* Vol. II., p. 41, says that Isaiah Williams married at Lebanon, Conn., July 12th, 1738, to Lucy Roberts.

448 iv. Capt. Abner,[6] born November 9th, 1746, baptized November 16th, 1746; died July 24th, 1821, in 76th year, at Colchester, Conn.; he was a tanner and farmer and lived at Colchester; he married at Lebanon (Bozrahville), Conn., November 24th, 1768, to Lydia Bartlett (his first cousin, No. 467) of Windsor, Conn.; born May 6th, 1748, at ——; died ——, at ——; she was a daughter of Deacon Ichabod and Desire (Otis) Bartlett of Windsor, Conn.

Children: 11 (Kellogg), 5 sons and 6 daughters, all born in Colchester, Conn.

1. Ichabod,[7] born September 21st, 1769; died March 2nd, 1770, at Colchester, Conn.
2. (daughter),[7] born January 6th, 1771; died January 7th, 1771, at Colchester, Conn.
3. (son),[7] born December 30th, 1773; died December 30th, 1773, at Colchester, Conn.
4. Molly,[7] born August 30th, 1775; died ——, at or near Colchester, Conn; married April 24th, 1817, to Capt. John Ackley of Colchester, Conn. No issue.
5. Margaret,[7] born October 7th, 1777; died ——, at Cazenovia, N. Y.; married ——, 1847, to —— Tillotson, as his second wife.
6. Seth Bartlett,[7] born April 5th, 1780; died August 25th, 1826, in Manlius, N. Y.; married March 31st, 1803, to Frances Wattles

(daughter of Capt. Daniel and Elizabeth Ann (Otis) Wattles); children: 11.

7. Abner,[7] born July 12th, 1782; died February 1st, 1787, at Colchester and buried there.

8. Otis,[7] born July 20th, 1785; died July ——, 1856, in Syracuse, N. Y.; married March 18th, 1818, to Mary Watrous (daughter of Theodore Watrous), born ——, 1795; died March 28, 1855, aged 60. He was a farmer in Colchester and in 1827 removed to Cazenovia, N. Y.
Children: 7, first 4 born in Colchester; rest born in Cazenovia, N. Y.

9. Lucy,[7] born October 23rd, 1786; died ——; not married.

10. Lydia,[7] born September 15th, 1788; died February 2nd, 1789, at Colchester, and buried there.

11. Sophia,[7] born September 19th, 1790; died February 8th, 1818; not married.

449 v. Ezekiel,[6] born September 17th, 1748; baptized September 25th, 1748; he lived at Colchester until 1771, removed to Great Barrington, Mass., and in 1786-7 removed to Cooperstown, N. Y.; he was a farmer and soldier in Revolutionary War; he died at Otsego, N. Y., July 7th, 1823; he married, first, at Colchester, May 30th, 1771, to Elishaba Wells, born September 5th, 1751, at ——; died January 9th, 1777, at —— (daughter of Elisha Wells and —— (——) Wells of Colchester, Conn.). Elisha Wells died August 31st, 1751, and was buried at Colchester, September 1st, 1751, aged "in 31st year". Ezekiel[6] (Kellogg) married, second, in Exeter Parish, Lebanon, Conn., April 1st, 1779, to Mrs. Philotha (Clark) Tracy (widow of —— Tracy and daughter of —— Clark).

Children, first marriage: 3 (Kellogg), sons, all born in Great Barrington, Mass.

1. Wells,[7] born March 10th, 1772; died January 28th, 1862, at Ashland, Ohio, from effects of a fall; married November 12th, 1794, to Mary Sage, born August 13th, 1775; died December 24th, 1853; he was a ship carpenter. He lived at Oswegatchie till 1825, when he removed to Ashland, Ohio, where he was a Mayor and Justice of the Peace, and a soldier in War of 1812. 6 children.

2. Silas,[7] born February 15th, 1775; died February 16th, 1824, accidentally shot at Oswegatchie, N. Y.; married at Wilmington, Vt., August 12th, 1808, to Sophia Lamb of Wilmington, Vt., born February 13th, 1787; died March 13th, 1827, at Wilmington, Vt. (daughter of Jonathan and Hannah (Hamilton) Lamb of Halifax, Vt.). He removed to Wilmington, Vt., and in 1831 removed to Oswegatchie, N. Y., where he was a merchant.
   Children: 7, first 3 born in Wilmington, Vt., and rest born in Oswegatchie, N. Y.
3. (son),[7] born January 3rd, 1777; died January 3rd, 1777.

Children, second marriage: 6 (Kellogg), 5 sons and 1 daughter, first 4 born in Great Barrington, Mass., rest born in Otsego. N. Y.

4. Elishaba,[7] born February 23rd, 1780; died March 1st, 1847; married December 1st, 1796, to Isaac Williams, born April 5th, 1777, at Lebanon, Conn.; died November 9th, 1860. He was a son of John and Mercy (Lee) Williams. He removed from Lebanon, Conn., to Otsego, N. Y., in 1786. He was a farmer and sheriff of Otsego County, N. Y., and had 14 children.
5. Tracy,[7] born August 31, 1782; died April 23rd, 1876, aged 94; married Esther Brown, born ——; died April 30th, 1855, aged 68. He resided at Otsego, N. Y., 90 years; he was a farmer and a carpenter and had a sawmill; 5 children.
6. John, 1st,[7] born December 8th, 1783; died March 29th, 1788.
7. Jared,[7] born August 27th, 1785; died March 23rd, 1788.
8. Charles,[7] born January 17th, 1787; died October 6th, 1867, at Otsego, N. Y., where he lived all his life; he was a blacksmith; he married Lucy Williams (daughter of Price Williams). She died May 1st, 1859, aged 70. No children.
9. John, 2nd,[7] born May 25th, 1790; died January 15th, 1862, at Cooperstown, N. Y.; married January 18th, 1813, Hannah Wattles (daughter of Charles Wattles), born September 9, 1793; died January 20th, 1866. He was a farmer and lived and died upon the

homestead three miles from Cooperstown, N. Y., where his father settled in 1786. 8 children.

450 vi. Margaret,[6] born January 16th, 1751-2; died December 24th, 1794; married January 23, 1771, at Goshen Parish, Lebanon, Conn., to John Ellis (son of Daniel Ellis) of Norwich, Conn., by whom she had 2 children (Ellis), both born at Norwich, Conn., viz.:

1. Damaras,[7] born November 23rd, 1771.
2. Abner,[7] born September 12th, 1773.

451 vii. Ezra,[6] born September 5th, 1754; died September 29th, 1833, at Great Barrington, Mass. He lived in Colchester, Conn., until 1771, and removed to Great Barrington, Mass. He was Deputy Sheriff of Great Barrington and a Lieutenant in the Revolutionary War. He married April 30th, 1779, at Great Barrington, to Mary Whiting (daughter of Lieut. Gamaliel and Anna (Gillett) Whiting of Great Barrington), born December 11th, 1758; died May 11th, 1837, at Great Barrington.

Children: 10 (Kellogg), 2 sons and 8 daughters, all born at Great Barrington, Mass.

1. Anastasia Lukens,[7] born February (or March) 29, 1780; died May 4th, 1837, at Lockport, N. Y.; married at Great Barrington, October 19th, 1800, to Mark Hopkins (her cousin), born Great Barrington, June 29th, 1779; died November 27th, 1828, at St. Clair, Mich. He was a son of Moses and Anna (Whiting) Hopkins. He removed to Henderson, N. Y., in 1805. He was a Captain of Volunteers in War of 1812, and state representative. He removed with his family to St. Clair, Mich., in 1824, and was Judge of Probate and Postmaster there. 7 children, first 2 born in Great Barrington and rest born in Henderson, N. Y.
2. Henry,[7] born February 7th, 1782; died October 15th, 1805, at Albany, N. Y.; married April 16th, 1805, to Lucy Riley. No issue.
3. Frances,[7] born April 11th, 1784; died April 27th, 1827. Not married.
4. Bernice Whiting,[7] born July 6th, 1786; died August 20th, 1823; married at Great Barrington, June 7th, 1818, to Aaron Kellogg (son of Col. Aaron Kellogg), as his second wife;

he born Canaan, Conn., August 13th, 1773. No children.

5. Mary,[7] born November 12th, 1789; died June 26th, 1872. Not married. (Twins.)
6. Sarah,[7] born November 12th, 1789; died September 5th, 1862. Not married. (Twins.)
7. Augustus,[7] born September 23rd, 1792; died October 14th, 1793.
8. Lydia Ann,[7] born October 10th, 1793; died February 9th, 1865, at Great Barrington; married August 16th, 1816, William Sherwood of New York City (son of Ensign Jehiel Sherwood of Greenfield, Conn.); born February 27th, 1786; died October 12th, 1871, aged 86. 5 children.
9. Nancy, 1st,[7] born October 17th, 1795; died October 13th, 1796.
10. Nancy, 2nd,[7] born November 21st, 1798; died March 2nd, 1877; not married.

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132. HANNAH[5] OTIS (Hannah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John[3], Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born February 29th, 1717-18, at ——; died June 12th, 1752, at ——; married November 6th, 1735, at Colchester, Conn., by Rev. Ephraim Little of First Congregational Church of Westchester, to Benajah McCall of Lebanon, Conn., born ——; died ——.

Children: 3 (McCall), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Lebanon, Conn.

452 i. Faith,[6] born February 12th, 1737; died ——; married Asa Harris, July 23rd, 1761, at Colchester, Conn.
453 ii. Nathaniel,[6] born September 25th, 1740.
454 iii. Delight,[6] born March 19th, 1744.

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133. DOROTHY[5] OTIS (Hannah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born April 16th, 1721, at ——; died October 20th, 1794, at ——; married, first, December 13th, 1737, at Colchester, Conn., to Asahel (Asa) Bigelow, born September 3rd, 1720, at Colchester, Conn.; he resided at Colchester, and was a farmer; he died at Colchester, Conn., October 9th,

1754, "in 35th year," and was buried there in old burying-ground. He was a son of John Bigelow (born Watertown, Mass., December 20th, 1681; died Colchester, Conn., March 8th, 1770; will dated May 18th, 1769; married November 4th, 1709), and his second wife Sarah (Bigelow) Bigelow (daughter of Jonathan Bigelow) (born ——; died October 13th, 1754, in 75th year), of Colchester, Conn.

Dorothy[5] Otis married, second, October 12th, 1762, at Colchester, Conn., by the Rev. Ephraim Little of First Congregational Church, to Isaac Day, born May 17th, 1713, at Colchester, Conn.; he was a farmer and resided at Colchester, Conn.; he died March 7th, 1765, "in his 52nd year," at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there in old burying ground. He was a son of John Day (born ——; died October 17th, 1754, "in 77th year," at Colchester), and —— (——) Day (born ——; died May 12th, 1714), of Colchester, Conn.

Dorothy[5] Otis married, third, ——, at ——, to Joseph Langwill (or Langrell).

Children, first marriage: 9 (Bigelow), 4 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Colchester, Conn.

455 i. Asa, 1st,[6] born October 31st, 1738; died September 18th, 1754, in 16th year, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there; not married.

456 ii. Jonathan,[6] born August 10th, 1740; died January 13th, 1823, "in 83rd year," at Colchester; married May 24th, 1759, at ——, to Elizabeth (Betty) Otis, born ——, at ——; died at Colchester, August 31st, 1821, "in her 86th year". She was a daughter of James Otis (born Scituate, Mass., ——, 1692; died Saybrook, Conn., ——, 1754; married June, ——, 1728, at Montville, Conn.), and Sarah (Tudor) Otis (born ——; died at Colchester, February 15th, 1788, aged 91).

The will of *Mary* Otis was proved March 4th, 1788, and it mentions amongst others her daughter *Elizabeth,* wife of Jonathan Bigelow; but *N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.*, Vol. II., pp. 288 and 294, says that James and Sarah (Tudor) Otis were the parents of Betty Otis, who married Jonathan Bigelow.

Children: 8 (Bigelow), 2 sons and 6 daughters; all born at Colchester, Conn.

1. Delight,[7] born December 24th, 1759.
2. Dorothy,[7] born February 3rd, 1761.
3. James,[7] born March 16th, 1764; died November 23rd, 1840; married Ann ——, who died October 25th, 1825, aged 62.

4. Alice,[7] born March 21, 1766; died December 13th, 1776.
5. Betty,[7] born June ——, 1768.
6. Sarah Tudor,[7] born March 2nd, 1771.
7. Eunice,[7] born June 30th, 1773.
8. Jonathan,[7] born August 11th, 1775; died May 22nd, 1793.

457 iii. Dorothy,[6] born September 2nd, 1742; died December 26th, 1761, at ——; married at Colchester, March 16th (or 19th), 1761, to Jonathan Robbins.

458 iv. Sarah,[6] born November 13th, 1744; died ——; married, first, November 19th, 1761, at Colchester, Conn., to Elias Ransom; she married, second, ——, at ——, to —— Hopkins.

459 v. Otis,[6] born January 4th (or 24th), 1746-7; died September 10th, 1832; married, first, Lydia Loomis; married, second, Betsey Bartlett.

460 vi. Betty, 1st,[6] born February 8th, 1749; died January 28th, 1751-2, "in 3rd year," at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there.

461 vii. Delight,[6] born February 25th, 1751; died September 28th, 1754, "in 4th year," at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there.

462 viii. Betty, 2nd,[6] born March 21st, 1753; died ——; married Captain Simon Abell of Goshen, Conn.

463 ix. Asa, 2nd,[6] born May 12th, 1755; died July 28th, 1830; married Lydia Newton.

On December 3rd, 1754, administration was granted to Dorothy[5] (Otis) Bigelow of Colchester on the estate of her late husband, Asa Bigelow, deceased. On April 3rd, 1770, the estate was divided between the sons, Jonathan, Otis and Asa, and daughters, Sarah and Betty.

Children, by second marriage: 3 (Day), sons.

464 x. Charles.[6]
465 xi. Daniel.[6]
466 xii. John.[6]

Children, by third marriage: none that are known of.

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134. DESIRE[5] OTIS (Hannah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born May 20th, 1723; died ——; at ——; married October 29th, 1748, at Colchester, Conn., by Rev. Ephraim Little, First Congregational Church, to Deacon Ichabod Bart-

lett, born Lebanon, Conn., October 17th (or 20th), 1723; died ——; he was a farmer and a deacon in the church. He resided at Lebanon and Windsor, Conn. He was a son of Josiah Bartlett and his wife Mary (or Mercy) Chandler (daughter of Zebulon and Elizabeth (Alden) Chandler) of Lebanon, Conn.

Children: 8 (Bartlett), 3 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Lebanon, Conn.

467 i. Lydia,[6] born May 6, 1748 (or 49); died ——, at ——; married at Lebanon (Bozrahville), Conn., November 24th, 1768, to Captain Abner Kellogg (her first cousin, No. 448), born November 9th, 1746; died July 24th, 1821. For completion of this record, see record of Captain Abner Kellogg, No. 448.

468 ii. Desire,[6] born April 24th, 1750; died ——; married Daniel Strong of Lebanon, Conn.

469 iii. Judah,[6] born June 15th, 1752; died ——; married Luna Abell of Lebanon, Conn.

470 iv. John,[6] born September 24th (or 29th), 1754; died August 2nd (or 6th), 1831, at East Windsor, Conn.; married at Lebanon, Conn., ——, 1774, to Desire Loomis, born Lebanon, Conn., July 10th, 1754; died February 16th, 1821. She was a daughter of Lieut. Thomas Loomis (born Lebanon, Conn., ——, 1714; died Lebanon, ——, 1792; married ——, 1734), and Susannah (Clark) Loomis, of Lebanon, Conn. John[6] Bartlett resided at Lebanon and East Windsor, Conn.; he was a deacon in the church.

Children: 8 (Bartlett), 4 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Lebanon, Conn.

1. Ruby,[7] born November 17th, 1775; died April 27th, 1791. Not married.
2. Shubael,[7] born April 2nd, 1778; died June 6th, 1854, aged 76; married at Hartford, Conn., January 19th, 1803, to Fanny Leffingwell, born Norwich, Conn., September 23rd, 1778; died August 28th, 1864, aged 85. He was pastor of East Windsor, Conn., Congregational Church. Yale College, 1800. 9 children.
3. Hannah,[7] born February 29th, 1780; died August 22nd, 1803.
4. Loomis,[7] born March 23rd, 1782; died December 20th, 1805.
5. John,[7] born August 16th, 1784; died April 25th, 1866, at Avon, Conn.; married Septem-

ber 12th, 1812, to Jane Golden, born Herkimer Co., N. Y., May 12th, 1797; died at Avon, Conn., December 3rd, 1869. He was of Yale College, 1801. Pastor of Congregational Church at Avon, Conn. 11 children.

6. Mary,[7] born October ——, 1786; died ——, 1865; married ——, 1803, Deacon Charles Sexton of Ellington, Conn. 11 children.

7. Lucy,[7] born June 2nd, 1790; died March 15th, 1840, at East Windsor, Conn.

8. Seth C.,[7] born October 26th, 1796; died May ——, 1830; married, first, Laura Butler of Lebanon, Conn., by whom he had 3 children; married, second, —— Dimmock.

471 v. Hannah,[6] born May 24th, 1757; died ——; married John Shapley of New London, Conn.

472 vi. Molly,[6] born April 4th, 1760; died——; married Hallet Gallup. No children.

473 vii. Lucy,[6] born December 19th, 1763; died ——; married Andrew Champion.

474 viii. Seth,[6] born June 18th, 1766; died ——; married Althea Ripley.

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136. JOHN[5] OTIS (Hannah[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born April 1st, 1728 (according to Town Records), or June 4th, 1727 (according to Family Bible). He resided at Colchester, Conn., where he was a farmer and land surveyor and held numerous town offices. He died at Colchester, Conn., of apoplexy, October 24th, 1804, aged 77, and was buried there. He married at Colchester, Conn., by Rev. Ephraim Little of First Congregational Church, on December 20th, 1750, to Prudence Taintor, born Colchester, Conn., August 20th (or December 9th), 1729; died at Colchester, June 7th (or 17th), 1823, "at the advanced age of 94," and was buried there. She was a daughter of Michael Taintor (born ——; died ——; married December 3rd, 1712), and Uniss (Eunice) (Foot) Taintor of Colchester, Conn.

Children: 12 (Otis), 6 sons and 6 daughters, all born at Colchester, Conn.

475 i. Hannah,[6] born February 29th, 1752; died ——, 1790, aged 38; married at Colchester, Conn., November 5th, 1778, to Martin Kellogg (as his second wife), born ——, baptized at ——, March

29th, 1741. He resided at Lyme, Conn.; he died at Lyme, Conn., November 28th, 1789. He was a son of Jonathan Kellogg (born September 18th, 1712; died July 10th, 1745), and Mary (Niles) Kellogg (born June 20, 1716), daughter of John Niles of Lyme, Conn.; Mary (Niles) Kellogg married, second, July 7th, 1746, to Reynold Marvin.

Children: 4 (Kellogg), 2 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Sarah,[7] born ——; died ——; married Amasa Foot, her cousin.
2. Fanny,[7] born ——; died ——; married a Methodist minister.
3. William,[7] born ——; died ——, young.
4. Asa,[7] born ——; died ——.

Martin Kellogg's first wife was Sarah Treadway, born March 31st, 1742; died January 26th, 1778; she was a daughter of Josiah and Eunice (Foote) Treadway.

476 ii. Nathaniel,[6] born June 19th, 1753; died March 18th, 1834, aged 81; he resided at Colchester, Conn., and Hartford, Conn., and settled at New London, Conn. He was a Captain of Militia; took oath of fidelity September 19th, 1780; and was land surveyor of New London County, Conn. He married at ——, November 5th, 1778, to Mary Foot, born ——; died ——, aged 84. She was a daughter of Israel Foot.

Children: 3 (Otis), 1 son and 2 daughters.

1. Asa,[7] born ——; died ——; resided at New London, Conn.
2. Daughter,[7] born ——; died ——; resided at New London, Conn.
3. Daughter,[7] born ——; died ——; resided at New London, Conn.

477 iii. Sarah,[6] born May 24th, 1755; died ——, 1781, of consumption, aged 26; married at Colchester, November 5th, 1778, to Israel Foot, Jr. (son of Israel Foot).

Children: 2 (Foot), daughters.

1. Sarah, 1st,[7] born ——; died ——, in infancy.
2. Sarah, 2nd,[7] born February 1st, 1781; died ——; married —— Hale.

478 iv. Ann,[6] born March 15th, 1757; died ——, 1837, aged 80; at Rochester, N. Y. She was blind and while living with her daughter her clothing caught fire, causing her death. She married at Colchester, October 19th, 1777, to Daniel Wattles of Leb-

anon, Conn.; he was born at Colchester, Conn., November 5th, 1755; died ——. He was a son of William Wattles (married May 29th, 1735), and Abigail (Denison) Wattles, of Lebanon, Conn.

Children: 11 (Wattles), several of whom died in infancy.

479 v. John Thacher,[6] born October 31st, 1758; died at Colchester, September 18th, 1842, on Sunday, aged 84, and was buried there. He was a Deacon and a soldier in Revolutionary War. He married at Colchester, September 29th, 1782, to Louisa Pomeroy, born ——, 1760 (see age at death and date of death); died at Colchester, December 3rd, 1837, aged 77, and was buried there. She was a daughter of Deacon Noah and Irene (Northam) Pomeroy of Colchester, Conn., who were married April 24th, 1748.

Children: 7 (Otis), amongst whom were the following 3:

1. Charles P.,[7] born ——; died January 7th, 1837. Yale College, 1829. He was principal of Bacon Academy for 10 years.
2. Israel Taintor,[7] born ——; died ——, 1889; William College, 1828, M. A.; Andover Theological Seminary, 1834; minister at Rye, N. H.
3. Eunice,[7] born ——; died December 30th, 1814, in 21st year, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there; not married.
4. ——.[7]
5. ——.[7]
6. ——.[7]
7. ——.[7]

480 vi. Charles,[6] born October 29th, 1760; died October ——, 1844, aged 84, at Hamilton, N. Y.; married ——, at ——, to Elizabeth (Gould) Sweetland (widow of —— Sweetland of East Haddam, Conn.). He lived at Colchester, Conn., and took oath of fidelity there December 17th, 1782; he removed and settled at Hamilton, N. Y.

Children:

1. Hannah,[7] born ——; died ——; married John Blish.
2. Charles G.,[7] born ——; died;; he lived at Earlville, N. Y., and was a Justice of the Peace.

481 vii. Prudence,[6] born November 23rd, 1762; died——; (she was living at Colchester, Conn., in 1850); married ——, at ——, to Ambrose Dutton, born ——, 1759; died October 28th, 1841, aged 82.

Children: 7 (Dutton), 5 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Epaphroditus.[7]
2. Phebe.[7]
3. Sophia.[7]
4. Francis.[7]
5. Russell.[7]
6. Ambrose.[7]
7. James.[7]

482 viii. Marcy,[6] born September 17th, 1764; died ——, 1813; married, first, Daniel Cone, by whom she had 2 children; she married, second, Dr. Amos Skeel of Williamstown, Mass., by whom she had 4 children.

483 ix. James,[6] born June 6th, 1767; he lived at Colchester and was made a freeman there in 1792; died March 2nd, 1845; he married November 18th, 1792, to Dorothy Foot, who died ——, 1848.

Children: 2 (Otis):

1. John Nelson,[7] born ——; died ——, young.
2. James Foot,[7] born ——; died April 5th, 1846; married Eliza H—— Hammond, and left children; he was a talented musician.

484 x. Eunice,[6] born November 28th, 1770; died —— (in 1850 she was living in Eaton, N. Y.); married Daniel Gardner, by whom she had 6 children, 3 sons and 3 daughters.

485 xi. David,[6] born August 20th, 1773; died May 13th, 1847; married Fanny Fowler, born Goshen Parish, Lebanon, Conn., June 28th, 1783. She was a daughter of Captain Amos and Rebecca (Dewey) Fowler of Lebanon, Conn.

Children: 8 (Otis), 4 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Colchester, Conn.

1. Alfred,[7] born ——; died ——; married Sophia Jane Worthington, who died October 7th, 1849, aged 43, at Colchester, Conn., and was buried there; by her he had 1 daughter. 1. Laura Emmeline[8] Otis, born ——; died September 1st, 1842, aged 5 years and 10 months.
2. Clarissa.[7]
3. Rhoda Emmeline,[7] born ——; died ——, 1843; married Ambrose Dutton and left 1 son.
4. Orrin F.,[7] born ——; died ——. Yale College, 1840; a minister of the Congregational Church at Chepachet, R. I.

5. Benjamin F.,[7] born ——; died ——; married Frances Jane Clark.
6. Harriet Newell,[7] born ——; died ——; married Russell Dutton.
7. Horatio Nelson,[7] born July 24th, 1816; died May 7th, 1881, at Yonkers, N. Y.; married December 27th, 1853, to Margaret Bigelow Bradford of Newburgh, N. Y.; born ——; died ——, 1879.
   7 children: 4 sons and 3 daughters.
8. Sarah,[7] born ——; died ——.

486 xii. Amos,[6] born April 18th, 1776; died October 17th, 1857, "in 82nd year," at Colchester, and was buried there. He married —— Huntly.

John[5] Otis lived at Colchester, Conn., on the estate he received from his parents in 1769.

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138. MERCY[5] OTIS, born July 2nd (or 3rd), 1734; died ——; married at Colchester, Conn., by Rev. Ephraim Little, First Congregational Church, December 14th, 1752, to Nathaniel Bartlett, born Lebanon, Conn., November 27th, 1727; died ——; he resided at Lebanon (Goshen), Conn. He was a son of Josiah and Mercy (or Mary) (Chandler) Bartlett of Lebanon, Conn.

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140. JOSEPH[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., September 10th, 1726; he resided at Yarmouth, and was a blacksmith; he died at Yarmouth, Mass., December 24th, 1771. Letters of administration on his estate was granted April 9th, 1772, to his brother David[5] Thacher. He married at Yarmouth, Mass., July 27th, 1749, to Abigail Hawes (sister of Ebenezer Hawes), born Yarmouth, Mass., September 16th, 1730; died June 21st, 1789, "in her 59th year." She was a daughter of Ebenezer Hawes (born Yarmouth, July 15th, 1705; died ——; married January 16th, 1728-9) and Sarah (Hedge) Hawes of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 11 (Thacher), 8 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

+487 i. Solomon,[6] born April 3rd, 1750; died October 25th, 1798; married Susannah Crosby.

+488 ii. Peleg,[6] born November 22nd, 1751; died August 12th, 1817; married Mercy Matthews.

+489 iii. Ebenezer,[6] born June 2nd, 1754; died April 1st, 1831; married Tamsen Taylor.

+490 iv. Lydia,[6] born January 22nd, 1756; died March 9th, 1838; married Charles Hallett.

491 v. Isaac,[6] born September 6th, 1757; died ——; not married.

+492 vi. Joseph,[6] born April 16th, 1759; died ——; married Abigail Gorham.

+493 vii. Sarah,[6] born May 10th, 1761; died July 27th, 1847; married Joseph Vincent.

494 viii. Temperance,[6] born December 22nd, 1762; died June 14th, 1791.

495 ix. Daniel,[6] born April 29th, 1765; died ——, young.

+496 x. Barnabas,[6] born August 26th, 1768; died September 26th, 1836; married Mary Howes.

497 xi. Ezekiel,[6] born January 26th, 1772; died ——, 1785. Not married.

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142. HON. DAVID[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., March 14th, 1730; died at Yarmouth, November 9th, 1801, aged 72, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. He married at ——, January 1st, 1754, to Abigail Russell, born ——, 1727 (see age at death and date of death), at Barnstable, Mass.; died at Yarmouth, April 25th, 1803, aged 76, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Dr. John and Mehitable (Lothrop) Russell, of Barnstable, Mass. Mehitable Lothrop was the daughter of Hon. Joseph and Abigail (Childs) Lothrop of Barnstable, who were married January 14th, 1695.

Children: 6 (Thacher), 4 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, only 1 of whom, David, 2nd,[6] Jr., reached maturity.

498 i. Mehitable, 1st,[6] born February 12th, 1760; died April 24th, 1764, "in her 5th year," at Yarmouth, Mass., and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone.

499 ii. David, 1st,[6] born ——; died ——, before reaching maturity.

500 iii. Judah, 1st,[6] born ——; died ——, before reaching maturity.

501 iv. Judah, 2nd,[6] born ——; died ——, before reaching maturity.

502 v. Mehitable, 2nd,[6] born ——; died ——, before reaching maturity.

+503 vi. David, 2nd,[6] born June 10th, 1767; died October 17th, 1830; married, first, Sarah Gray; married, second, Eunice Weld Noble.

Hon. David Thacher was a Judge and Statesman. He inherited and lived in the house of his father in Yarmouth. He was a representative for 21 years and a senator several years in the General Court of Massachusetts, and was often there employed on committees where maturity of judgment and experience gained by careful attention to the interests of the commonwealth were particularly required. He was distinguished by talents of solid, judicious and useful character, rather than those of a brilliant and showy type. He held during the great part of his life various offices in his town and county. He was one of the committee of safety during the Revolutionary War; and for 15 years was one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for Barnstable County. He was also a member of the conventions for forming and adopting the State and Federal Constitution. His gravestone is thus inscribed: "To the memory of the Hon. David Thacher, Esq., who having served his generation in many important public stations with honor and fidelity, died November 9th, 1801, aged seventy-two years. By a constant practice of social virtues, he rendered himself greatly beloved and respected in the various walks of domestic life. Reader, wouldst thou be honored in life and lamented in death, go and do likewise. Also erected to the memory of Mrs. Abigail Thacher, widow of the Hon. David Thacher, Esq., who died April 25th, 1803, aged seventy-six years. She was greatly esteemed as a Christian and a friend."

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143. LIEUTENANT AND DEACON JOSIAH[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., February 2nd, 1732-3. He resided at Yarmouth, Mass., where he was a deacon and held the office of Lieutenant in in the Military Service; he was a Tavern Keeper. He died at Yarmouth, Mass., January 19th, 1802, and was buried there in old cemetery (*Freeman's Cape Cod*, Vol. II., pp. 229-30, says that he died January 19th, 1809, aged 69; and so also does *Alden's Epitaphs*, Vol. I., p. 127; but as he was born in 1732-3 and died aged 69, he must have died in 1802; therefore Freeman and Alden are incorrect). His tombstone

inscription does not appear in *Gravestone Records of Yarmouth, Mass.*, prepared by Thomas W. Thacher and Stanley W. Smith, and published in 1906 by the Mass. Society, M. F. D., and therefore I presume it was destroyed between the compilation of *Alden's Epitaphs* and the year 1906. He married, first, at Yarmouth, Mass., February 22nd, 1758-9, to Desire Crowell, born Yarmouth, May 30th, 1736; died at Yarmouth, February 27th, 1788, "in her 52nd year," and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Crowell and his wife Mary (Gorham) Crowell (born Yarmouth, August 20th, 1708, daughter of John and Ann (Brown) Gorham of Yarmouth) of Yarmouth, Mass. He married, second, at Yarmouth, Mass., January 1st, 1789, to Mary (Miller) Hedge, born ——, 1744 (see age at death and date of death), at ——; died at Yarmouth, Mass., January 15th, 1811, "in her 67th year," and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of —— Miller, and widow of Deacon Isaac Hedge, according to *Freeman's Cape Cod,* Vol. II., p. 230, and widow of Deacon Josiah Hedge, according to *Alden's Epitaphs,* Vol. I., p. 125-6. I am inclined to think Freeman is correct.

Children, all by first marriage: 8 (Thacher), 4 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

+504 i. Mercy,[6] born March 20th, 1760; died September 29th, 1807; married Andrews Hedge.

505 ii. daughter,[6] born July 26th, 1761; died August 28th, 1762, at Yarmouth.

506 iii. Judah,[6] born July 2nd, 1762; died ——, young; lost at sea; not married.

+507 iv. James,[6] born May 15th, 1764; died November 28th, 1832; married, first, Susannah[6] Thacher (No. 580, daughter of Joseph[5] and Susannah (Wheldon) Thacher; married, second, Susannah Hall (half sister of William Hall, who married her husband's eldest daughter Polly).

+508 v. Josiah,[6] born July 1st, 1766; died December 18th, 1853; married Lydia Matthews.

+509 vi. Desire,[6] born February 6th, 1769; died February 23rd, 1825; married Daniel Taylor.

+510 vii. Anne,[6] born June 23rd, 1771; died ——; married, first, Dr. John Dusten; married, second, Joseph (or Asa) Washburn.

+511 viii. Edmund,[6] born March 24th, 1774; died ——; married Polly Bassett.

There is a remarkable coincidence existing between the records of Deacon Josiah[5] Thacher and that of his uncle Deacon Josiah[4] Thacher (No. 38). The latter was born April 26th, 1667, and died May 12th, 1701 (or 1702); the former was born February 2nd, 1732-3, and died January 19th, 1802; they were both deacons

in the same church, and they both had for a wife a Mary Hedge. This coincidence has heretofore puzzled antiquarians and has caused a confusion of the two Josiahs.

Deacon[5] Josiah Thacher was chosen as a deacon, May 18th, 1801. His tavern stood upon the site of the Congregational parsonage in Yarmouth. According to a paper written by his grandson, Prentiss[7] Thacher, he was married in 1758.

From *Alden's Epitaphs* we obtain the following inscription taken from the gravestone of Deacon Josiah[5] Thacher, and those of his two (2) wives. The gravestone of Deacon Josiah[5] Thacher has since the compilation of *Alden's Epitaphs,* been broken, and at last accounts (according to George Winslow Thacher of Yarmouthport, Mass.) was lying on the ground and likely at any time to disappear; and from the fact that the printed records of the Old Burying Ground at Yarmouth makes no mention of said stone, it would appear that it had now vanished.

"In memory of Deacon Josiah Thacher, who died January 19th, 1809, in his 69th year."

"Look down upon the sacred spot and see
What death can do for you as well as me;
Sweet bosom friend, your falling sand is nigh,
Children, prepare, 'tis God that calls on high.
Neighbors and friends alike must be the same,
Prepare for death in time, for God doth reign."

The date 1809 was copied incorrectly by Alden, or else it was recorded incorrectly on the gravestone, as he was born in 1732-3 and died in 1802, aged 69.

"In memory of Mrs. Desire Thacher, wife of Deacon Josiah Thacher, who died February 27th, 1788, in the 52nd year of her age. Also in memory of Mrs. Mary Thacher, his last wife, and formerly widow of Deacon Josiah Hedge. She died January 15th, 1811, aged —— years."

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145. SARAH[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., August 17th, 1737; died ——, at Falmouth (possibly); she married, first, at Yarmouth, October 17th (or 27th), 1765, to Prince Hawes, Jr. (as his second wife; his first wife was Elizabeth[6] Hallett, daughter of Joseph and Abigail[5] (Thacher) Hallett, see Nos. 102 and 316, born Yarmouth, April 15th, 1736; he lived at Yarmouth and was a mariner; he died December 14th, 1767, at ——; lost at sea; body not recovered; he was a son of Prince Hawes (born Yarmouth, December 29th, 1709; died Yar-

mouth, December 8th, 1771; married July 17th, 1735) and Anna (Hodge) Hawes (born ——; died March 4th, 1782) of Yarmouth, Mass. Sarah[5] (Thacher) Hawes married, second, —— (after December 23rd, 1768), at ——, to Thomas Palmer (as his second wife; his first wife was Elizabeth[6] Thacher, No. 175 (daughter of Thomas[4] and Thankful (Baxter) Thacher), who died December 23rd, 1768, in her 27th year); he was born February 12th, 1737-8, at Falmouth, Mass.; he resided at Falmouth and died there April 25th, 1775, "in his 38th year;" he was a son of Rev. Samuel Palmer (born August 8, 1707, at Middleboro, Mass.; died April 13th, 1775, at Falmouth, Mass., "in his 68th year"; married January 25th, 1736-7), and his first wife, Mercy (Parker) Palmer, (born ——; died March 1st, 1750), of Falmouth, Mass. Rev. Samuel Palmer graduated at Harvard College 1727, and was minister at Falmouth for 45 years; his second wife was Mrs. Sarah Allen of Chilmark, Mass., whom he married in 1751.

Child, first marriage: 1 (Hawes), daughter, born at Yarmouth, Mass.

512 i. Anner,[6] born August 4th, 1766; died April 10th, 1782, aged 16; she was drowned at Yarmouth and was buried there in old burying ground; gravestone; not married.

Child, second marriage: 1 (Palmer), son, born at Falmouth, Mass.

513 ii. (See also No. 871.) Job,[6] born August 11th, 1772; died ——; married ——, of Virginia.

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146. JOHN[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., August 25th, 1739; he resided at Yarmouth, where he was Town Clerk from 1789 for 10 years; he died at Yarmouth, August 12th, 1799, aged 59, and was buried there in old burying ground; gravestone; he married at Yarmouth, October 18th, 1766, to Hannah Matthews, born Yarmouth, May 2nd, 1747 (or 1748); died Yarmouth, April 26th, 1832, aged 84, and was buried there in old burying ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Hawes) Matthews, of Yarmouth.

Children: 11 (Thacher), 6 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

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PART XI.

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+514 i. Rebecca,[6] born November 23rd, 1767; died June 30th, 1795; married William Bray.

+515 ii. John,[6] born March 24th, 1769; died March 7th, 1820; married Deborah Sears.

+516 iii. Hannah,[6] born August 17th, 1771; died October 8th, 1849; married Sylvanus Kelly.

517. iv. Isaiah,[6] born November 6th, 1773; died September 25th, 1798, in the 25th year of his age; he was drowned at sea, and body not recovered, on a trip from Cape Ann to the "Banks." He was not married. He sailed from Harwich, Mass., to Cape Ann for stores and sailed from Cape Ann on September 21st, 1798, and was lost in a gale that occurred on September 25th, 1798. He was a mariner.

518 v. Job,[6] born December 30th, 1776; died August ——, 1802, at Cape Hayti, West Indies, of yellow fever, and was buried there. He was a master-mariner. Not married.

519 vi. Elkanah,[6] born January 18th, 1779; died August ——, 1802, at Cape Hayti, West Indies, of yellow fever, and was buried there. He was mate of his brother Job[6] Thacher's vessel. Not married.

+520 vii. Sarah[6] (Sally), born April 19th, 1782; died November 17th (or 18th), 1862; married Edward Gorham. She and her sister Elizabeth[6] were twins.

521 viii. Elizabeth, 1st,[6] born April 19th, 1782; died November 17th, 1782, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no grave stone.

522 ix. Isaac,[6] born September 25th, 1784; died February ——, 1801, at Jamaica, West Indies, of yellow fever, and was buried there. He was a mariner. He sailed from Boston with Captain Benjamin Foster. A certificate signed by Benjamin Foster describes him as of light complexion, blue eyes, flaxen hair, 4 feet 10 inches high, aged 16; he died unmarried on his first voyage.

+523 x. Matthews,[6] born June 8th, 1788; died October 25th (or 26th), 1868; married Elizabeth Crocker; he and his sister Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] were twins.

+524 xi. Elizabeth, 2nd,[6] born June 8th, 1788; died March 5th, 1862; married Ebenezer Matthews.

Hannah (Matthews) Thacher, widow of John[5] Thacher, married a second time at Yarmouth, March 10th, 1805, to Robert Homer, born Yarmouth, January 28th, 1742. He resided at Yarmouth (Hokanum) in the Old Sturgis House; he died ——,

at ——. He was a son of Benjamin Homer (born May 8th, 1698; died October 23rd, 1776) and Elizabeth (Sears) Homer (born October 8th, 1700; died January 23rd, 1778) of Yarmouth. By this, her second marriage, she had no children. From *Alden's Epitaphs,* Vol. I., p. 126, we obtain the following inscription from the grave stone of John[5] Thacher:

"In memory of Mr. John Thacher, who died 12th August, 1799, aged 59 years."

"Why should we fear the hour of death?
Since life is but a span,
By lengthening out our feeble breath
We're more involved in sin.
Here I resign my mortal frame
Submissively to God,
In hopes to meet a Heavenly train
In my Redeemer's blood."

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George Winslow Thacher of Yarmouthport, Mass.

147. WILLIAM[5] THACHER (Judah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, March 30th, 1743. He resided at Yarmouth until 1803 and then removed to South Dartmouth, Mass. He was a house and ship carpenter and a man of inventive genius in his line. He died May 24th, 1829, at Dartmouth (probably), and was probably buried there, but I have no record of the place of his death and burial. He married ——, at ——, to Thankful Hedge, born ——, 1751, at Yarmouth; died April 7th, 1823, at —— (South Dartmouth probably and was probably buried there). I have no record of the place of her death and burial. She was a daughter of Thomas Hedge (born ——, 1719; died June 9th, 1764, aged 45; married January 25th, 1738-9) and Mary (Gorham) Hedge (baptized July 19, 1719; died June 3, 1795, aged 75) of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 11 (Thacher), 4 sons and 7 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

525 i. Mehitable, 1st,[6] born October 25th, 1768; died April 2nd, 1774, in her 6th year, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old burying ground; grave stone.

+526 ii. Laban,[6] born September 9th, 1772; died March 3rd, 1833; married Sally Davis.

+527 iii. Molly Gorham,[6] born June 10th, 1775; died April 22nd, 1799; married Benjamin Kelly, who after

her death married, second, her sister Mehitable, 2nd,[6] Thacher, No. 533.

528 iv. Thankful, 1st,[6] born ——; died ——, young, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no gravestone.

529 v. Thankful, 2nd,[6] born ——; died ——, young, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no gravestone.

+530 vi. Thankful, 3rd,[6] born July 31st, 1780; died December 22nd, 1842; married Ebenezer Hawes.

+531 vii. Judah,[6] born August 28th, 1784; died ——; married, first, Mary (Polly) Howland; married, second, Rebecca R—— Custis (said to have been a cousin of the first husband of Martha Washington). He and his brother William[6] Thacher were twins.

+532 viii. William,[6] born August 28th, 1784; died December 3rd, 1853; married Hannah Howland.

+533 ix. Mehitable, 2nd,[6] born April 1st, 1787; died December 16th, 1841; married Benjamin Kelly as his second wife (his first wife was her sister Molly Gorham[6] Thacher, No. 527.

+534 x. Gorham,[6] born April 25th, 1790; died July 13th, 1857; married, first, Phebe V. Soule; married, second, Eunice Sears.

535 xi. Hannah,[6] born ——; died ——, young, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no gravestone.

William[5] Thacher was a deacon in the church; he was a carpenter and a ship-builder and a man of considerable genius in his line of work, introducing many improvements in the construction of salt works and wind-mills. He was on the committee for drawing up the new State Constitution in 1776, he being then of Yarmouth. He lived in Yarmouth, at the foot of Church Street, until about a year after his son Laban[6] Thacher removed to South Dartmouth. His son Laban bought him a farm in South Dartmouth and he removed thereto. Davis[7] Thacher (his grandson) says that he was a house carpenter, and was chosen a deacon when he was 80 years old. Mrs. Sally[7] (Hawes) Cobb, his grand-daughter, states that he was a deacon in 1819. Antony[7] Thacher, his grandson, states that he built boats of a kind called "Moses" boats; and that afterwards he built small fishing and coasting vessels. He owned a sloop of 10 or 15 tons burden that plied between Yarmouth and Boston; and also sailed on a sloop of his own building to Labrador, but was probably not the master thereof. He built many wind-mills and also built the first light-house on the back of Cape Cod, it being constructed of wood. He is said to have built the wind-mill that formerly stood on the northeast corner of the Yar-

mouth Academy and which was subsequently on the hill east of the Congregational Meeting House. This wind-mill was moved to near the site of Charles Sears' house. He is said to have been the inventor of the improvements in salt work implements which were made use of by the Acme Salt Works. His ship yard was on Green Hill. Both Mrs. Sally Cobb and Warren[7] Thacher (his grand-children) were in possession of miniature portraits of William[5] Thacher, which were the only portraits of any of this line of Thacher's from the first to the fifth generation. Both William[5] Thacher and his wife were dismissed from church in Yarmouth to that of Dartmouth in 1807.

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148. DAVID[5] LOTHROP (Ann[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born October ——, 1723, at ——; died October 2nd, 1787, at ——; he lived at Tolland, Conn., and it is presumed died there, as all of the dates of the records here given are on the Tolland, Conn., Records. He married Clarinda Delano, on July 28th, 1747, at Tolland, presumably.

Children: 3 (Lothrop), 2 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Tolland, Conn.

536 i. Samuel, 1st,[6] born November 7th, 1748; died July 11th, 1751.
537 ii. Hannah,[6] born April 9th, 1750.
538 iii. Samuel, 2nd,[6] born April 15th, 1752; died October 16th, 1760.

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150. JONATHAN[5] LOTHROP (Ann[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born September 18th, 1727, at ——; died ——, at ——; married December 20th, 1753, at ——, to Rachel Ladd. He lived at Tolland, Conn.

Child: 1 (Lothrop), daughter, born at Tolland.

539 i. Rachel,[6] born October 22nd, 1754.

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152. JOHN[5] LOTHROP (Ann[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born May 6th, 1732, at ——; died March 24th (or 27th), 1812, "in 80th year of his age, born in May," at ——; married December 10th, 1754, at ——, to Lucy Gray of Coventry, Conn., born ——, 1739-40 (see age at death and date of death), at ——; died December 25th, 1807, "in 67th year of her age," at ——.

Children: 11 (Lothrop), 3 sons and 8 daughters.

540 i. Desire,[6] born November 11th, 1755; died November 11th, 1755.

541 ii. Anne,[6] born October 19th, 1756; baptized October 24th, 1756; died November 23rd, 1756.

542 iii. Luscalla,[6] born November 23rd, 1757; died November 30th, 1827; married Eliab Ladd.

543 iv. Presinda,[6] born January 30th, 1761; died March 20th, 1810; married William Huntington.

544 v. John,[6] born April 24th, 1763; died December 10th, 1780.

545 vi. Elizabeth,[6] born ——; d. September 16th, 1837; married Andrew Steele.

546 vii. Elvira,[6] born June 13th, 1768; died December 5th, 1836.

547 viii. Rowland,[6] born March 10th, 1771; died September 14th, 1844; married, first, Hannah Crafts; married, second, Hannah Cleaveland.

548 ix. Lucy,[6] born November 1st, 1774; died ——; married —— Rawdon.

549 x. Jonathan,[6] born February 17th, 1776; died May 13th, 1776.

550 xi. Molly,[6] born September 12th, 1779; died ——; married, first, —— Woodward; married, second, —— Torrey.

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153. THACHER[5] LOTHROP (Ann[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born January 26th, 1734, at ——; he lived at Tolland and East Windsor, Conn., and was a soldier in Revolutionary War; he died December 30th, 1806, "in 62nd year," at ——; married November 10th, 1755, at ——, to Submit Loomis, born at Windsor, Conn., October 20th, 1736; died August 22nd, 1794, "aged 59." She was a daughter of Moses Loomis (born June 24th, 1696; died February 16th, 1761; married December 17th, 1729) and his second wife Elizabeth Bidwell of Hartford, Conn. (born ——; died February 20th, 1761, aged 55) of Windsor, Conn.

Children: 10 (Lothrop).

551 i. Elizabeth[6] (Betty), born September 2nd, 1756; died ——; married George Buckland.

552 ii. Lydia,[6] born ——; died March 10th, 1772.

553 iii. David,[6] born April 26th, 1758; died ——; married Anna Chipman.

554 iv. Lura,[6] born ——, 1762; died November 16th, 1845, aged 83; married —— Hall.

555 v. ——[6], baptized January 30th, 1763.

556 vi. Submit,[6] born ——, 1765; baptized January 20th, 1765; died September 10th, 1848, aged 83; married Ephraim Hunn.

557 vii. Luther,[6] born October 5th, 1766; baptized October 12th, 1766; died ——; married Lucy Hartwell.

558 viii. ——,[6] born ——; baptized May 11th, 1768.

559 ix. Loring,[6] born April 3rd, 1770; baptized May 30th, 1770; died January 7th, 1847; married Miriam Foster.

560 x. Vallely,[6] born ——, 1772; died October 27th (or 29th), 1794, aged 22; married Elizur Atkins, leaving one child, Freeman[7] Atkins, who died November 5th, 1798, aged 5.

Thacher[5] Lothrop, according to *Stiles' Windsor,* is reputed to have succeeded Timothy Skinner as sexton of Wapping Parish in Windsor, Conn. Timothy Skinner died in 1777. A letter from Thacher[5] Lothrop to his children in Long Meadow has preserved the names of his sons.

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155. ELIZABETH[5] LOTHROP (Ann[4] Thacher, Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born April 22nd, 1740, at ——; died ——, at ——; married February 24th, 1763, at ——, to Col. Solomon Wills, born October 14th, 1731, at ——; died December 10th, 1807. He resided at Tolland, Conn., where he was a soldier, judge and statesman. He was a son of Joshua and Millicent (——) Wills.

Children: 7 (Wills), 3 sons and 4 daughters.

561 i. Roxalana,[6] born December 3rd, 1763; died November 24th, 1780; married Col. Eliakim Chapman (son of Col. Samuel and Sarah (White) Chapman) as his first wife.

562 ii. Nancy,[6] born September 3rd, 1765; died ——; married Col. Eliakim Chapman as his second wife; his first wife was her sister Roxalana[6] Wills.

563 iii. Elizabeth,[6] born November 30th, 1767; died ——; married Capt. Ashbel Steele.

564 iv. Millicent,[6] born September 12th, 1769; died ——; married Col. Elijah Smith.

565 v. Azariah,[6] born May 30th, 1772; died ——; settled in Franklin, N. Y.

566 vi. Solomon,[6] born January 10th, 1775; died ——; married —— and settled in ——, Pennsylvania.

567 vii. Wareham,[6] born July 27th, 1780; died ——; married ——, and settled in ——, Pennsylvania.

Colonel Solomon Wills enlisted early in the Revolutionary War and rose to the rank of Colonel. After the War he served in the Public Civil Service for the rest of his life, serving his townsmen in many offices with fidelity and to their satisfaction. He was an Associate Judge of Tolland County for seven (7) years, and a member of the State Legislature of Connecticut for twenty-three (23) sessions. The above list of his children is given in the authority of *Waldo's History of Tolland.*

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157. DESIRE[5] THACHER (Joseph,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born July 5th, 1730, at Yarmouth; died ——, 1816, at ——; married January 26th, 1756, at Yarmouth, to Rev. Grindal Rawson, Harvard College 1741; A. M., Yale College 1753; born July 29th, 1721, at Milton, Mass.; he resided at Milton, Ware, Yarmouth and Sutton, Mass. He was a Congregational minister. He died at Sutton, Mass., ——, 1794 (or 1795), at the home of Ebenezer Rawson. He was a son of Peletiah Rawson (born July 2nd, 1696, at Braintree, Mass.; died ——, 1769) and Hannah (Hall) Rawson, of Dorchester, Mass. (born ——; died August 1st, 1775, aged 83), of Milton, Mass.

Children: 3 (Rawson), 1 son and 2 daughters.

568 i. Ruth,[6] born August 13th, 1757; baptized August 14th, 1757; died September 5th, 1757.

569 ii. Jonathan,[6] born January 24th, 1759-60; died May 17th, 1794. He was an aide-de-camp to Governor John Sullivan. He married ——, at ——, to Hannah Gage of Dover, N. H., by whom he had one child.

1. Jonathan Augustus[7] Rawson.

Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy* states that Jonathan[6] Rawson died without issue.

570 iii. Hannah,[6] born May 25th, 1761 (or 1767), probably 1761, at ——; died March 31st, 1816, at Ward, Mass.; married September 13th, 1781, at ——, to Paul Thurston, born August 25th, 1761, at Medway, Mass.; he lived at Medway, Mass., Ward and Harvard, Mass. He died at Milton, Mass., previous to November 21st, 1797, and was buried at Harvard, Mass. He was a son of Rev. David and Susannah Waters (Fairbanks) Thurston of Medway, Mass.

Children: 3 (Thurston), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

1. Jonathan Grindal,[7] born ——; baptized July 8th, 1782; died ——, in infancy.

2. Elihu Cleverly, born ——; died November ——, 1809.
3. Dianthe Thacher,[7] born December 23rd, 1790; died March 15th, 1857; married Benjamin Putnam of Sutton, Mass., on August 25th, 1812, and settled in East Eddington, Mass.

Paul Thurston lived in Ward, Mass., and Harvard, Mass., but he apparently died in Milton, Mass., as his widow, who was his administratrix, asked for an allowance for transporting the deceased from Milton to Harvard. In 1795 or 1796 he lived on Deer Island, Maine.

Rev. Grindal Rawson succeeded Mr. Smith as pastor at Yarmouth; he was installed December 10th, 1755. He was descended from Edward Rawson, Secretary of the Colony of Massachusetts, and was the eldest son of Pelatiah Rawson of Milton, Mass. He graduated Harvard College 1741, and was installed as first pastor of Ware, Mass., May 9th, 1751, and was dismissed of his charge there June 19th, 1754; he took his dismission from Yarmouth Church in 1760, "in consequence"—as Mr. Alden said—"of general dissatisfaction between him and the people, being allowed by a council to ask for a dissolution of connexion." He is represented as having been a man of strong mind but very eccentric.

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158. EBENEZER[5] THACHER (Joseph,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, February 17th, 1733; died ——, at ——. From Vol. XV, p. 507, of *Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in Rev. War*, I obtain the following record of an Ebenezer *Thatcher*, which it is highly probable is the record of this Ebenezer[5] Thacher, viz:—

"Thatcher, Ebenezer, Yarmouth, Private, Captain Joshua Gray's Co., enlisted July 10th, 1775; discharged December 31st, 1775, service in defence of sea coast; rolls sworn to in Barnstable Co.; *also*, return of men raised to serve in the Continental Army from Colonel Nathaniel Freeman's (1st Barnstable County) Regiment, residence Yarmouth, enlisted for town of Yarmouth; joined Captain Lamont's Co., Col. Bradford's regiment, enlistment 3 years; *also* list of men mustered by Joseph Otis, Muster Master for Barnstable Co., dated April 14th, 1777, Capt. James Davis' Co., Col. Gamaliel Bradford's regiment; mustered April 14, 1777; enlistment 3 years; reputed received State and Continental Bounties;

also Sergeant 5th Co. Col. Bradford's Regt., Continental pay accounts for service from April 14, 1777, to December 31, 1779; *also,* Captain John Lamont's Co. Col. Bradford's (12th) Regt., return (year not given); mustered by County and Continental Muster Masters; joined May 1st, 1777; *also* Captain Haskell's Co., Col. Bradford's Regiment, Continental Army, pay accounts for service January 1st, 1780, to April 14, 1780 (see Obed Ilaebe); *also* Captain Micah Hamlen's Co., Lieut. Col. Hallet's Regt., entered service August 14th, 1780, 3 days preceding march; discharged October 31st, 1780; service 2 months, 21 days at Rhode Island; regiment detached from Militia to reinforce Continental Army for 3 months." This record is apparently that of the Ebenezer[5] Thacher No. 158; and that it is so is rendered still more probable as a comparison of this record with that of Joseph[5] Thacher (his brother, No. 160), it is seen that this Ebenezer Thatcher and Joseph[5] Thacher both served in the same Company and Regiment (Lamont's Co. and Bradford's Regt.) and both were from Yarmouth. The subsequent career of Ebenezer[5] Thacher I have been unable to trace; whether he married and left issue, or whether he died single, is unknown to me.

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159. RUTH[5] THACHER (Joseph,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, September 11th, 1736; died ——, at ——; married, first, ——, 1755, at ——, to Ezekiel Webb of Yarmouth, born ——; died ——, after November 4th, 1762, the date of Joseph[4] Thacher's (the father of Ruth[5] Thacher) will, in which will Ruth[3] Thacher is spoken of as "my daughter Ruth Webb; she married, second, November 16th, 1764, at Yarmouth, Mass., to Seth Whelden of Yarmouth, b. ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Child, first marriage: (Webb), 1 daughter, born at Yarmouth, Mass.

571 i. Sarah[6] (Sally), born ——; died ——; married —— Powers, and had one daughter, Sally Powers.

Children, by second marriage: 4 (Whelden), 3 sons and 1 daughter.

572. ii. Isaac,[6] born ——; died ——; married Nabby Bassett and had 8 (Whelden) children, viz:—

1. Polly.[7]
2. Cyrus.[7]
3. Seth.[7]
4. Joseph Thacher.[7]
5. Roxanna.[7]
6. Alexander.[7]
7. Abigail.[7]
8. Isaac.[7]

573 iii. Mary[6] (Molly), born ——; died ——; married Benjamin Matthews and had 2 (Matthews) children, viz:—

1. Benjamin.[7]
2. Ruth.[7]

574 iv. Joseph,[6] born ——; died ——; married Fanny Howes and had 1 (Whelden) daughter, viz:—

1. Fanny Howes.[7]

575 v. Samuel,[6] born ——; died ——; married Polly Chase and had 11 (Whelden) children, 7 sons and 4 daughters, viz:—

1. Cynthia.[7]
2. Isaiah.[7]
3. Ruth Thacher.[7]
4. Samuel.[7]
5. Mary.[7]
6. Joseph.[7]
7. James.[7]
8. Payson.[7]
9. Susan.[7]
10. Benjamin.[7]
11. Matthews.[7]

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160. JOSEPH[5] THACHER (Joseph,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, May 19th, 1744; died Oct. 16th, 1778* (subsequent to June 26th, 1777), at "King's Ferry," probably, and was probably buried there; married —— (int. pub. at Yarmouth, October 5th, 1765), at Yarmouth, probably, to Susannah Whelden, born ——, at Yarmouth; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of John (or Jonathan) and Rebecca (Hallett) Whelden of Yarmouth. Joseph[5] Thacher resided at Yarmouth in a house built by his father next to Thomas Long's house. He is reputed to have died while serving in the Revolutionary Army.

Children: 6 (Thacher), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born in Yarmouth.

+576 i. Mary[6] (Polly), born October 28th, 1766; died April ——, 1795; married Abial Lovejoy, as his first wife; his second wife was Elizabeth[7] Gray, No. 875.

577. ii. Joseph,[6] born February 8th, 1769; died August 30th, 1790, at Yarmouth in his "22nd year," and was buried in Yarmouth, in old burying-ground; gravestone. Not married.

+578 iii. Ruth Hawes,[6] born August 5th, 1771; died ——; married Philip Baker.

579 iv. Ebenezer,[6] born January 23rd, 1774; died August 22nd, 1786, drowned in Saco River; grave-

* In Vol. XLII, p. 267, record No. 160, the date of death of Joseph[5] Thacher is incorrectly given as 1790; it should be as given above, October 16, 1778.

stone in Old Yarmouth Cemetery says he died "in his 13th year." Not married.

+580 v. Susannah, born June 19th, 1776; died September 28th, 1823; married James[6] Thacher (No. 507). For completion of the record of herself and her descendants, see Record No. 507 and its continuation.

581 vi. (?) Jonathan Rawson,[6] born September 25th, 1782; died ——, 1800, about, "on the Coast of Guinea, after niggers." For further information concerning this child, see Yarmouth Records. He was not married.

From *Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in War of Rev.*, Vol. XV, p. 508, we obtain the following record of the Military Service of Joseph[5] Thacher, viz:—

"Thatcher, Joseph, Yarmouth—Return of men raised to serve in Continental Army from Col. Nathaniel Freeman's (1st Barnstable County) regiment, dated Sandwich, June 10, 1777; residence Yarmouth; enlisted for town of Yarmouth; joined Capt. Lamont's Co., Col. Bradford's regt., enlistment 3 years; *also* private, 5th Co., Col. Bradford's Regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from May 16, 1777, to October 16th, 1778; residence Yarmouth; credited to town of Yarmouth; reputed deceased; *also* Captain John Lamont's Co., Col. Gamaliel Bradford's (12th) regiment; subsistence allowed from date of enlistment, May 12, 1777, to May 27, 1777; credited with 15 days' allowance; *also*, same Co. and Regt.; return (year not given); mustered by County and Continental Muster Masters; joined June 26th, 1777; reported sick at Kings Ferry."

From an analysis of above record it would seem that the date of his death was either on or subsequent to October 16th, 1778, as he was allowed pay up to that date.

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161. BENJAMIN[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born February 11th, 1737-8; his baptism is not recorded in records of Harwich first parish church, as is that of all of his brothers and sisters; and hence it is presumable that he was born in either Yarmouth or Barnstable before his father settled in Harwich. He resided at Harwich in that part which is now known as Brewster; he was a mariner. He died ——, about 1775; he was living, as appears by his father's will, on August 9th, 1768; and letters of administration were granted to his widow Desire on his estate, October 3rd, 1775. He married —— int. pub. April 9th, 1756, at ——.

(*Freeman Genealogy*, p. 92, says that he was married January 13th, 1752), to Desire Freeman, born October 3rd, 1736; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of Lemuel and Desire (Sears) Freeman.

Children: 2 (Thacher), 1 son and 1 daughter.

582 i. Desire,[6]; I have been unable to obtain anything more of her record.

+583 ii. Benjamin,[6] born ——; died ——; married Eunice Foster.

Desire (Freeman) Thacher, widow of Benjamin[5] Thacher married a second time ——, at ——, to Nathaniel Stone, Jr. (as his second wife; his first wife was Mary Bourne), born November 29th, 1713, at Harwich, Mass., where he lived and was Town Treasurer for 28 years and Town Clerk for 25 years, and Rep. to G. C. 1755 for 6 years; he died at Harwich, Mass., January 7th, 1776-7, aged 63. He was a son of Rev. Nathaniel Stone (born April ——, 1667, at Watertown, Mass.; died February 8th, 1755, aged 87 years, 10 months, at Harwich, Mass.; married December 15th, 1698), and Reliance (Hinckley) Stone (born ——; died May 24th, 1759, aged 84; she was a daughter of Governor Hinckley), of Harwich, Mass.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy* and corrections thereto.

163. SARAH[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., December (or November) 1st, 1741, and baptized 1st parish church there, December 6th, 1741; she died at Harwich, Mass., October 2nd (3rd or 20th), 1777, and was probably buried there. She married May 15th, 1764, at Harwich (int. pub. there February 5th, 1764), to Captain Isaac Foster (as his third wife), born Harwich, May 29th, 1739; he lived at Harwich, and was a mariner; he was on the Committee from Brewster, July 2nd, 1812, to vote against War with Great Britain; he died at Harwich, February 29th, 1824, and was buried there; gravestone. He was a son of Isaac Foster (born Harwich, June 17th, 1718; died Harwich, September 10th, 1777; married November 2nd, 1738), and Hannah (Sears) Foster (born Harwich, June 3rd, 1720; died Harwich, October 31st, 1760), of Harwich, Mass.

Children: 7 (Foster), 4 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Harwich (Brewster), Mass.

+584 i. Lemuel,[6] born August 15th, 1765; died January 25th, 1832; married Elizabeth[6] Foster (No. 592).

+585 ii. Hannah,[6] born August 3rd, 1767; died December 12th, 1841; married Zoheth Snow.

586 iii. Eunice,[6] born August ——, 1769; died November ——, 1769, at Harwich; buried there. Not married.

+587 iv. Isaac,[6] born October 23rd, 1770; died January 3rd (or 4th), 1855; married Sarah[6] Thacher, No. 600.

+588 v. Benjamin,[6] born September 27th, 1772; died March 10th, 1848; married Desire Freeman.

+589 vi. Samuel,[6] born February 6th, 1775; died December 16th, 1826; married Eunice Clark.

+590 vii. Sarah,[6] born May 26th, 1777; died —— married Theophilus Berry.

Captain Isaac Foster married, first, June 10th, 1762, to Eunice Freeman, born May 1st, 1730; died ——; daughter of John and Tamsen (Sears) Freeman; he married, second, Almira ——; he married, third, Sarah[5] Thacher (No. 163) as above stated; and he married, fourth, in 1778, to Rebecca Wing. In the *Freeman Genealogy*, p. 116, the children given above are said to have been children by his first wife, Eunice Freeman, but the *Foster Genealogy*, p. 560, gives them as children of Sarah[5] Thacher (No. 163), which agrees with the date of her marriage. His will (since burnt) was recorded at Barnstable; probated March 13th, 1824; sons Isaac[6] and Benjamin[6] Executors.

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165. LYDIA[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., September 10th, 1744; baptized there, first parish church, September 16th, 1744; died at Dorchester, Mass. (at home of her daughter, Elizabeth,[6] who married her first cousin, Lemuel[6] Foster), September 5th, 1825; married at Harwich, Mass., December 4th, 1766, to Samuel Foster, born Harwich, May 31st, 1741; he resided at Harwich and was a sea captain; he died ——, 1774, by drowning, when one day's sail from home. He was a son of Isaac and Hannah (Sears) Foster of Harwich; and a brother of Isaac Foster, who married Sarah[5] Thacher, No. 163.

Children: 3 (Foster), daughters.

591 i. Lydia,[6] born ——; died ——.

+592 ii. Elizabeth,[6] born September ——, 1772; died June 9th, 1822; married Lemuel[6] Foster (No. 584).

+593. iii. Desire Thacher,[6] born ——; died ——; married Seth Thayer.

Lydia[5] (Thacher) Foster was appointed guardian of her three daughters on April 11th, 1774. She was left a widow at the age of 30 and never re-married. According to Carlyle Patterson, she lived and died with her granddaughter, Eliza Thayer Clapp, which statement is at variance with statement made above on authority of the *Foster Genealogy*.

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167. JANE[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., July 30th, 1747; baptized there, first church, August 2nd, 1747; died at Dorchester, Mass., December 25th, 1833, aged 86; married February 19th, 1776, at ——, to Shubael Cook of Harwich, Mass., born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Children: 6 (Cook), 3 sons and 3 daughters.

594 i. Jane,[6] born ——; died ——.
595 ii. Shubael, 1st,[6] born ——; died ——.
596 iii. Shubael, 2nd,[6] born ——; died ——.
597 iv. Elizabeth,[6] born ——; died ——; married Dorchester, Mass., January 19th, 1807, to Isaac Clapp.
598 v. Jonathan,[6] born ——; died ——.
599 vi. Hannah,[6] born ——; died ——.

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170. SAMUEL[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich (now Brewster), January 17th, 1752; he was a master mariner and resided at Harwich; he d. December 23rd, 1793, at sea, on a voyage from St. Lucius to Boston; he married July 9th, 1780, at Harwich, probably, to Lucy Fessenden, born Harwich, May 21, 1757; died Harwich, August 25th, 1834. She was a daughter of Dr. William Fessenden (died November 5th, 1802), and Mehitable (Freeman) Fessenden (died November 25th, 1808), of Harwich, Mass.

Child: 1 (Thacher), daughter, born at Harwich, Mass.

+600 i. Sarah,[6] born April 23rd, 1781; died February 28th, 1861; married Isaac[6] Foster (No. 587).

One of Captain Samuel[5] Thacher's vessels was once taken as a prize by the English and carried towards Nova Scotia, but on account of his influence as a Free Mason, he secured the release of his vessel.

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171. TEMPERANCE[5] THACHER (Benjamin,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., July 27th, 1754; died —— (she was living in 1839), at ——; married ——; int. pub. December 17th, 1798, at ——, to William Ward (of Guilford or New London, Conn.), born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Children: None (according to Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*).

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

175. ELIZABETH[5] THACHER (Thomas,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, March 28th, 1741-2; died December 23rd, 1768, "in 27th year," at Falmouth, Mass., and was buried there in old burying-ground; gravestone. She married, May 26th, 1763, at ——, to Thomas Palmer, born Falmouth, February 12th, 1737-8; died Falmouth, April 25th, 1775, "in 38th year of age," and was buried there in old burying-ground; gravestone. He was a son of Rev. Samuel Palmer (born August 8th, 1707, at Middleboro, Mass.; died April 13th, 1775, "in 68th year of age," at Falmouth; married January 25th, 1736-7), and his first wife, Mercy Parker) Palmer (born ——; died March 1st, 1750), of Falmouth, Mass. Rev. Samuel Palmer's second wife was Mrs. Sarah Allen of Chilmark, whom he married in 1751.

Children: 2 (Palmer), both born at Falmouth, Mass.

601 i. Matty,[6] born October 20th, 1766.
602 ii. Thomas,[6] born August 20th, 1767.

Thomas Palmer, Senior, after the death of his first wife, married a second time, ——, after December 23rd, 1768, at ——, to Sarah[5] (Thacher) Hawes, No. 145 (daughter of Judah[4] Thacher, No. 51, and widow of Prince Hawes, Jr.) She was born at Yarmouth, Mass., August 17th, 1737; died ——, at Falmouth, Mass., probably.

Child: 1 (Palmer), son, born at Falmouth, Mass.

603 iii. (See also No. 513, 316 and 871.) Job,[6] born August 11th, 1772; died ——; married ——, of Virginia.

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176. THANKFUL[5] THACHER (Thomas,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., November 8th, 1744; died ——, at ——; married December 30th, 1765, at ——, to Zacheus (or Zachariah) Allen of Falmouth, Mass., born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

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178. REV. JOSHUA[5] GEE (Elizabeth[4] Thacher, Judah,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Boston, Mass., June 29th, 1698; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, July 3rd, 1698; he was admitted to 2nd Church, Boston, May 13th, 1716; graduated H. C. 1717; he lived at Boston, Mass., and was a Congregational minister; ordained at 2nd Church Boston, December 18th, 1723, and thereupon became its pastor in which office he remained until his death; he died May 22nd, 1748, at Boston, "in the 51st year of his age and 25th year of his ministry," and was probably buried in the Gee tomb in Copp's Hill Burying-ground, Boston. He married, first, at Portsmouth, N. H., December 13th, 1722 (int. pub. Boston, August 30th, 1722), to Sarah Rogers, born ——, about 1701, see age at death and date of death, at Portsmouth, N. H., probably; died ——, 1730, aged 29, at Boston, Mass., probably, and probably was buried in Gee tomb in Copp's Hill Burying-ground. She was a daughter of Rev. Nathaniel Rogers (born Ipswich, Mass., February 22nd, 1669-70; H. C. 1687; died October 3rd, 1723, aged 54; married October 26th, 1699, at Boston), and Sarah Purkis (born April 1st, 1680, at Boston; died ——; she was a daughter of George and Sarah (Pemberton) Purkis. Sarah (Pemberton) Purkis married, as her second husband, —— Elatson; she was a daughter of James and Sally (Marshall) Pemberton, and was baptized January 28th, 1648-9; and died December 31st, 1704), of Portsmouth, N. H.

Children: 5 (Gee), 1 son and 4 daughters, all born at Boston, Mass.

604 i. Mary,[6] born May 23rd, 1724; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, May 24th, 1724.

605 ii. Joshua,[6] born June 6th, 1725; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, June 6th, 1725; H. C. 1744.

606 iii. Sarah,[6] born September 3rd, 1726; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, September 4th, 1726.

607 iv. Elizabeth,[6] born ——; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, October 1st, 1727.

608 v. Margaret,[6] born ——; baptized, 2nd Church, Boston, May 4th, 1729.

Rev. Joshua[5] Gee married, second, April 17th, 1734, at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Joseph Sewall, to Mrs. Anna (Gerrish) Appleton (widow of Samuel Appleton, whom she married March 19th, 1718,1719, at Boston, and who died at London, Eng., December

15th, 1728), bron Boston, Mass., August 14th, 1700; died Boston, Mass., September 4th, 1736, and was probably buried in Gee tomb in Copp's Hill Burying-ground. She was a daughter of John and Sarah (——) Gerrish of Boston, Mass., and in the record of her birth she is called "Hannah."

Children: 2 (Gee), 1 son and 1 daughter, both born in Boston, Mass.

609 vi. Annah,[6] born ——; baptized, 2nd Church, January 5th, 1734-5.

610 vii. John,[6] born ——; baptized, 2nd Church, August 22nd, 1736.

Rev. Joshua[5] Gee married, a third time, at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Samuel Mather, January 29th, 1739, to Sarah Gardner. (She was possibly daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Goodwin) Gardner of Boston, Mass., who were married at Boston, by Rev. Cotton Mather, May 11th, 1693, and who had a daughter Sarah, born Boston, May 27th, 1709; baptized 2nd Church, May 29th, 1709.) She died ——, at ——. She was admitted to 2nd Church, Boston, April 20th, 1740.

Child: 1 (Gee), daughter, born at Boston.

611 viii. Susannah,[6] born November 18th, 1740; baptized, 2nd Church, November 23rd, 1740.

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183. SAMUEL[5] GRANT (Mary[4] Thacher, Judah,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Boston, Mass., October 13th, 1705; he resided at Boston, Mass.; he died November 14th, 1784, aged 79, at Boston; he married at Boston, Mass., by Mr. Joshua Gee, January 1st, 1729, to Elizabeth Cookson, born Boston, October 10th, 1708; baptized 2nd Church, Boston, October 10th, 1708; died January 28th, 1778, aged 70, at Boston, Mass. She was a daughter of John and Rachel (Proctor) Cookson of Boston, Mass., who were married at Boston, by Cotton Mather, November 2nd, 1704. Both Samuel[5] Grant and his wife are buried in Grant tomb, Copp's Hill, Boston.

Children: 6 (Grant), 4 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Boston.

612 i. Samuel,[6] born September 9th, 1731.
613 ii. William,[6] born September 23rd, 1734.
614 iii. Elizabeth,[6] born November 2nd, 1741.
615 iv. Mary,[6] born January 24th, 1742.
616 v. Moses,[6] born March 6th, 1744; died December 22nd, 1817, aged 73; buried at Copp's Hill, Boston.
617 vi. Joseph,[6] born June 22nd, 1746.

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185. BETHIAH[5] HOWLAND (Jabez[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., December 5th, 1702, "Saturday A. M." She was a member of St. Michael's P. E. Church in Bristol in 1732. She died ——, at ——; she married, first, at Bristol, R. I., by the Rev. John Usher of St. Michael's P. E. Church, on May 19th, 1725, to Captain Nicholas Bragg of Bristol, a sea captain; he was born at Bristol, May 23rd, 1696, and was admitted to St. Michael's P. E. Church at Bristol, June 12th, 1726; he died at Surinam, February 8th, 1732, and was probably buried there. He was a son of Henry and Elizabeth (——) Bragg of Bristol, R. I.

Children: 2 (Bragg), sons, both born at Bristol.

618 i. Nicholas,[6] born ——; baptized St. Michael's P. E. Church, Bristol, June 22nd, 1728; he married Sarah Greene (daughter of Benjamin and Ann (Hoxie) Greene), born September 4th, 1736.
619 ii. William,[6] born February 25th, 1729-30; baptized St. Michael's P. E. Church, March 8th, 1729-30; died Bristol, February 6th, 1730-31, and was buried there February 8th, 1730-1, in St. Michael's Church Yard.

Bethiah[5] (Howland) Bragg, widow of Nicholas Bragg, married a second time at Bristol, August 29th, 1733; int. pub. Bristol, August 8th, 1733, to Simeon (or Simon) Davis (as his second wife), he was born ——, 1660 (see date of and age at death), at ——; he died at Bristol, R. I., September 11th, 1736, aged 76, and was probably buried there. He was a son of Nicholas and Sarah (——) Davis of Newport, R. I. Children: (Davis) None.

Simeon Davis' first wife was Ann Low, whom he married at Bristol, R. I., September 29th, ——.

Bethiah[5] (Howland) Bragg-Davis, widow of Simeon (or Simon) Davis, married a third time ——, 1741 (int. pub. Bristol, November 21st, 1741), at ——, to Daniel Greene (as his second wife), born February 20th, 1698-9, at Warwick, R. I.; he lived at Centerville, R. I., died at Centerville, November 24th, 1797 (or 1798), aged nearly 100, and was buried there presumably. He

was a son of Major Job and Phebe (Sayles) Green of Warwick, R. I.

Child: 1 (Greene), daughter.

619½ i. Deborah,[6] born May 24th, 1745; died ——; said in one account to have been "wife of Captain Job Pierce," who was at one time the husband of her half-sister Temperance Greene.

Daniel Greene married, first, November 11th, 1731, by Simon Kay, to Temperance Harris of New Shoreham, R. I.; born ——; died March 28th, 1732-3, by whom he had one (Greene) daughter. *Not in Thacher line*, viz.:

1. Temperance, born March 13th, 1732-3; died ——; married Captain Job Pierce.

The intention of marriage of Bethiah Howland to Samuel Davis was published at Bristol, June 26th, 1724, but I have found no record of the marriage itself. The question naturally arises in view of the above record, what Bethiah Howland was this? There were at this time in Bristol but two (2) Bethiah Howlands, viz.: Bethiah[3] (Thacher) Howland (No. 36), widow of Jabez[2] Howland, son of John,[1] and the above Bethiah[5] Howland (Jabez[4] and Patience (Stafford) Howland). Bethiah[3] (Thacher) Howland died at Bristol, R. I., December 19th, 1725, and it is barely possible that in her widowhood she may have contemplated a second marriage with Samuel Davis. If such was the case I have no knowledge of the fact. If this above record was the intention of marriage of Bethiah[5] Howland (Jabez[4]) then it would seem that the marriage itself was never solemnized, as Samuel Davis died March 23rd, 1732, and in the meantime she, Bethiah[5] Thacher, had on May 19th, 1725, married Nicholas Bragg. This Samuel Davis was as I make out the brother of Simeon Davis, her second husband, and was born June 30th, 1698, at Bristol.

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186. MERCY[5] (or MARY[5]) HOWLAND (Jabez[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., January 27th, 1704; died ——, at ——. She married, first, at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. James Orem, on November 22nd, 1722 (int. pub. August 25th, 1722), to Captain George Pearse (Pearce or Pierce), of whose individual record I am uninformed. In the record of her marriage to Captain Pearse she is styled "Mrs." She married, second, at Bristol by the Rev. John Usher, on July 9th, 1724, to Isaac Martindale of Newport, R. I., of whose record I am uninformed. Whether any

children were born to Mercy Howland by these two marriages I do not know.

In Vol. VI of *Vital Records of R. I.*, pp. 27 and 53, we have the record that a Mercy Howland of Bristol and Joseph Tillinghast, Jr., of Tiverton, were married at Bristol, August 6th, 1722. I do not know who this Mercy Howland was unless she was the above Mercy[5] Howland, or possibly Yetmercy (Shove) Howland, widow of Josiah[4] Howland. If the record refers to the above Mercy[5] Howland, then she married Joseph Tillinghast, Jr., August 6th, 1722, and on August 25th of same year her intention to marry Captain George Pearse was published and she married Captain Pearse on November 22nd of that same year, 1722. This is not impossible, but highly improbable, except as the result of some family tragedy or romance with which I am not familiar.

If, however, it refers to the possible marriage of the widow of Josiah[4] Howland to Joseph Tillinghast, there is nothing in the record inconsistent with the record of Josiah[4] Howland, as he died at Bristol, February 8th, 1717, and his widow may possibly have married a second time August 6th, 1722, to Joseph Tillinghast, Jr.; however, if she did so I am not positively so informed. I give the record of this marriage of Mercy Howland and Joseph Tillinghast and my analysis thereof for what it is worth, with no pretense of suggestion as to its value.

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188. ELIZABETH[5] HOWLAND (Jabez[4] Howland, Bethia[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, July 17th, 1709; died ——, at ——; married at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. John Usher of St. Michael's P. E. Church, on October 3rd, 1733 (int. pub. September 2nd, 1733), to Otis Little, of Pembroke, Mass.; he was a member of St. Michael's P. E. Church at Bristol, R. I., December 25th, 1752.

Children: 3 (Little), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

620 i. William,[6] born ——; died ——; married and left considerable issue.

621 ii. Charles,[6] born ——; died ——; he was a Lieutenant in English Navy.

622 iii. Polly.[6]

AUTHORITY

Vital Records of R. I., Vol. VI, pp. 22, 33, 83; Vol. VIII, pp. 192, 207, 210.

189. SARAH[5] HOWLAND (Jabez[4] Howland, Bethia[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., April 10th (or 30th), 1711; died ——, at ——; married at Bristol, by Rev. John

Usher, August 27th, 1732 (int. pub. August 5th, 1732), to Captain Isaac Lawton, born Bristol, October 6th, 1709; he lived at Bristol and died there March 7th, 1749, and was buried there. He was a son of Thomas and Margaret (——) Lawton of Bristol.

Children: 6 (Lawton), 5 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Bristol.

623 i. Thomas,[6] born ——; baptized St. Michael's P. E. Church, Bristol, June ——, 1733; died June ——, 1733, and buried St. Michael's Church Yard, July 2, 1733.

624 ii. John,[6] born November 22nd, 1734; baptized St. Michael's, March 9th, 1734-5.

625 iii. William,[6] born October 3rd, 1737; baptized St. Michael's, November 27th, 1737.

626 iv. Isaac,[6] born ——; baptized St. Michael's, November 16th, 1740.

627 v. Patience,[6] born ——; baptized St. Michael's, May 13th, 1744.

628 vi. Joshua,[6] born March 8th, 1746-7; baptized St. Michael's, April 6th, 1747.

AUTHORITIES

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Austin's Gen. Dic. of R. I., p. 387.
Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth, p. 151.
Howland Genealogy, p. 332.

191. PATIENCE[5] HOWLAND (Jabez[4] Howland, Bethia[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., March 23rd, 1716-17; died May 2nd, 1802, aged 85, at Pembroke, Mass., and was buried there. She married December 6th, 1739, either at Bristol, R. I., or at Scituate, Mass.; the marriage is recorded both at Scituate, Mass., and in the Register of St. Michael's P. E. Church at Bristol, R. I.; intention published at Bristol, October 15th, 1739, to Captain Samuel Barker, Jr. (as his second wife); he was born at Scituate, Mass., October 4th, 1707; died ——, 1782, will dated August 3rd, 1782 (according to *Barker Genealogy*, by Barker Newhall, p. 76). In the Vital Records of Hanson, Mass., p. 87, we find the record that Samuel Barker of Scituate died May 2nd, 1802, in 86th year, which is supposed to have been taken from *Grave Yard Inscriptions*. I think, however, that this inscription has been incorrectly transcribed and think that it refers to Mrs. Samuel Barker, whom we see from above died at Pembroke on that date. Captain Samuel Barker, Jr., was a son of Captain Samuel Williams Barker (born April 23rd, 1686; died August 6th, 1754; married December 25th, 1706) and Hannah (Cushing) Barker (born March 26th, 1687-8; died ——; daughter of Rev. Jeremiah and Hannah (Loring) Cushing of Scituate) of Scituate, Mass.

Captain Samuel Barker, Jr., married, first, about November 15th, 1738, at Barnstable, Mass., intention published at Scituate, Mass., July 15th, 1738, to Deborah Gorham, born at Barnstable, Mass., November 13th, 1718; died at Scituate, Mass., December 11th, 1738, "aged 20 years and 26 days, and had been married about 26 days." She was a daughter of John Gorham (born September 28th, 1688; died ——, 1769; married October 2nd, 1712) and Prudence (Crocker) Gorham (born July 26th, 1692); died ——, 1778, aged 86) of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 9 (Barker), 5 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Scituate, Mass.

629 i. Patience,[6] born October 27th, 1740; died ——; married Scituate, June 10th, 1761, to Thomas Josselyn (son of Thomas and Anna (Stockbridge) Josselyn of Hanover, Mass.), born Hanover, September 26th, 1733; died Pembroke, Mass., January 20th, 1818, aged 86.

Children: 7 (Josselyn), 3 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Hanover, Mass.

1. Thomas,[7] born September 28th, 1762; died ——, in Maine; married Polly Loring and had 5 (Josselyn) children, 4 sons and 1 daughter, viz.: 1. Thomas[8]; 2. Enoch[8]; 3. Mudge[8]; 4. Polly[8]; 5. Samuel[8].
2. Patience H.,[7] born February 8th, 1765; died ——; married Jonathan Damon of Buckfield, Maine.
3. Bethiah Thacher,[7] born January 10th, 1767; died ——; married Barnabas Perry of Minot, Maine, and had 4 (Perry) children, 2 sons and 2 daughters, viz.: 1. Bethiah Thacher[8]; 2. Abigail Cushing[8]; 3. Barnabas[8]; 4. Samuel Barker[8].
4. Joseph B.,[7] born June 10th, 1769; died ——.
5. Samuel W.,[7] born April 3rd, 1772; died ——; married Elizabeth J. Coxe, May 20th, 1798, and had 5 (Josselyn) children, 2 sons and 3 daughters, viz.: 1. Samuel,[8] born ——, 1799; 2. Elizabeth,[8] born ——, 1801; 3. Deborah B.,[8] born ——, 1804; 4. Mehitable,[8] born ——, 1807; 5. Ophar,[8] born ——.
6. Anna S.,[7] born ——, 1776; died ——; married Pratt Allen and had 4 (Allen) children, 3 sons and 1 daughter, viz.: 1. Patience[8]; 2. Samuel[8]; 3. Pratt[8]; 4. Thomas[8].
7. Deborah B.,[7] born ——, 1782; died April 11th, 1846; married ——, 1805, to David Gorham Barker (see Record No. 414), born

March 7th, 1784; died April 15th, 1830, and had 6 (Barker) children, viz.: 1. Susan Garrett[8]; 2. Moses[8]; 3. Mary G.[8]; 4. Eliza Clark[8]; 5. Jeremiah Cushing[8]; 6. Abby Gorham[8].

630 ii. Hannah,[6] born July 5th, 1742; died ——; married, first (intention published Scituate, January 15th, 1763), to Nathaniel Bryant of Marshfield (son of Seth and Elizabeth (——) Bryant), born October 10th, 1738; died ——. She married, second, to Prince Barker (son of Prince and Abigail (Keen) Barker), born October 26th, 1747; died June 24th, 1781.

Children, by first marriage: 3 (Bryant), 1 son and 2 daughters, viz.:

1. Nathaniel.[7]
2. Hannah.[7]
3. Patience.[7]

Children, by second marriage: 4 (Barker), 2 sons and 2 daughters, viz.:

1. Deborah.[7]
2. Abigail.[7]
3. Prince.[7]
4. John.[7]

631 iii. Capt. Williams,[6] born September 2nd, 1744; died ——; married at Kingston, Mass., December 11th, 1777, to Sarah Lothrop of Kingston. He lived at Scituate until about 1790 and removed to Wiscasest, Maine.

Children: 5 (Barker), 2 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Scituate, Mass.

1. Sally,[7] born September 29th, 1778.
2. John Williams,[7] born October 7th, 1782; baptized October 8th, 1786.
3. Ruth Leach,[7] born January 27th, 1785; baptized October 8th, 1786.
4. Elizabeth Thacher,[7] born January 29th, 1787; baptized July 11th, 1790.
5. Lothrop,[7] born ——.

632 iv. Deborah,[6] born June 14th, 1747; died January 10th, 1819.

633 v. Samuel, 1st,[6] born January 12th, 1749; died June 8th, 1753.

634 vi. Jeremiah,[6] born March 3rd, 1752; died October 3rd (or 4th), 1834, aged 84; married, first, Abigail Gorham; second, Susanna Garrett; third, Eunice Riggs; fourth, possibly to Mary Williams, intention published July 2nd, 1802; fourth or fifth to Temperance (Garrett) Gorham. For elaboration of this record see record No. 414.

635 vii. Bethia Thacher,[6] born June 27th, 1755; died ——, young.

636 viii. Samuel, 2nd,[6] baptized December 4th, 1757; died ——, young.

637 ix. Samuel, 3rd,[6] born August 21st, 1762; died July 5th, 1840, aged 78, at Hanson, Mass. (died June 17th, 1840, according to Pembroke, Mass., Vital Records). He was a doctor and removed to Hanson, Mass. He married at Pembroke, Mass., March 27th, 1806, to Hannah Jones, born Pembroke, Mass., January 15th, 1774; died —— (*Barker Genealogy*, by Barker Newhall, p. 81, says that she died June 22nd, 1872, which may be correct; if so, she was 98 when she died). She was a daughter of Simeon and Deborah (Beals) Jones of Pembroke, Mass.

Children: I have no record of any children.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*
Early Mass. Marriages, by Bailey, Vol. II, pp. 37, 170.
Vital Records of Scituate, Mass., Vol. I, pp. 21, 22, 23; Vol. II, pp. 19, 20, 351, 352.
Vital Records of Pembroke, Mass., pp. 232, 385, 420.
History of Hanover, Mass., p. 338.
Vital Records of Hanson, Mass., pp., 14, 88.
Barker Genealogy, by Barker Newhall, pp. 28, 40, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 83.
History of Scituate Mass., p. 216.

193. YETMERCY[5] HOWLAND (Josiah[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., March 11th, 1712-13; baptized as a widow 5-8-1732; died at Bristol, August 8th, 1737, and was buried there. She married, first, at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. Barnabas Taylor, on October 17th, 1731 (intention published September 18th, 1731), to Captain Isaac Palmer of Little Compton, R. I.; born ——; died ——, before 5-8-1732, as his *widow* was baptized on that date. An Isaac Palmer was born at Little Compton, R. I., January 14th, 1701, and he may have been the above Captain Isaac Palmer, but of this I am not assured. His parentage is unknown to me.

Children: (Palmer) None that are known of.

Yetmercy[5] (Howland) Palmer married a second time at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. Barnabas Taylor, December 6th, 1733, to Captain Nathaniel Howland, born Plymouth, Mass., 9-6-1705; died 13-7-1766. He was a son of Nathaniel Howland (born ——; died December 20th, 1746, aged 76; buried at Plymouth, Mass., Burial Hill: gravestone) and Martha (Cole) Howland (born ——; died August 11th, 1718, aged about 46, buried at Plymouth, Burial Hill: gravestone) of Plymouth, Mass.

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Child: 1 (Howland), son, born at Bristol, R. I.

638 i. Nathaniel,[6] born April 3rd, 1735; died July 18th, 1736.

Captain Nathaniel Howland married, second, at Boston, Mass., November 22nd, 1739, by the Rev. John Webb, to Abigail (Burt) Lane (widow of Richard Lane), born Boston, March 28th, 1718 (she was a daughter of Rev. John and Abigail (Cheever) Burt, and she married Richard Lane, January 8th, 1735); she died 22-7-1766.

Children: 6 (Howland), 3 sons and 3 daughters. *Not in Thacher Line.*

1. Abigail, born 24-10-1740; died ——, 1821; married Joshua Pico.
2. Nathaniel, born 5-7-1742; died 7-5-1779; married Sarah Atkins of Boston.
3. John, born 21-4-1744; died ——, 1789, at sea; married Jane King of New York.
4. Martha, born 21-10-1747; died ——, 1833; married Silas Atkins of Boston.
5. Joseph, born 30-9-1749; died 11-3-1836.
6. Susan, born 9-7-1752; died ——.

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Plymouth, Mass., Burial Hill Inscriptions, p. 95, Nos. 650, 651.
Boston Record Com. Reports, Vol. XXIV, p. 127; Vol. XXVIII, pp. 49, 192, 211.

199. SAMUEL[5] HOWLAND (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony[2], Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., April 3rd, 1709; died ——, at ——; married, first, ——, at ——, intention published at Bristol, R. I., July 29th, 1738, to Lucie Smith of New Haven, Conn.; born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——; he married a second time at Portsmouth, R. I., by William Anthony, Justice of the Peace, on November 27th, 1743, to Abigail Moon, born May 2nd, 1717, at Portsmouth, R. I.; died —— (she survived her husband), at ——. She was a daughter of John Moon of Portsmouth.

Children, first marriage: None that are known of.

Children, second marriage: 5 (Howland), 2 sons and 3 daughters; No. 1 born in Bristol, rest born in Portsmouth.

*639 i. Abigail,[6] born August 4th, 1744.
*640 ii. Elizabeth,[6] born March 16th, 1745.
641 iii. Desire,[6] born 30-6-1753.
642 iv. George,[6] born 28-2-1755.
643 v. John,[6] born 4-8-1757.

* It is possible that the first two children were by first marriage.

AUTHORITIES

Vital Records of R. I., Vol. IV, p. 28; Vol. VI, p. 28, 83.
Howland Genealogy, pp. 333.

200. ABIGAIL[5] HOWLAND (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., October 18th, 1710; baptized at Bristol, Congregational Church, September 16th, 1722; died at Bristol, August 6th (or 8th), 1737, and was buried there presumably. She was married at Bristol, by Timothy Fales, Justice of the Peace, on October 23rd, 1729, intention published September 9th, 1729, to Israel Church of Bristol, R. I.; he was born at Little Compton, R. I., April 22nd, 1707; died at Bristol, R. I., August 29th, 1735, aged 28 years. He was a son of Joseph and Grace (Shaw) Church of Little Compton.

Children: 3 (Church), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Bristol.

644 i. Nathaniel,[6] born March 10th, 1730-1; died July 28th, 1738, at Bristol, and buried there.

645 ii. Abigail,[6] born January 13th, 1732-3; died August 8th, 1737.

646 iii. Sarah,[6] born February 19th, 1734-5.

AUTHORITIES

Rhode Island Vital Records, Vol. VI, pp. 13, 28, 69, 83, 123; Vol. VIII, p. 252.
Howland Genealogy, p. 333.

201. DEACON JOHN[5] HOWLAND (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., September 27th, 1713; joined Congregational Church there October 18th, 1741; he lived at Bristol and was a deacon in Congregational Church there; he died at Bristol, August 21st, 1786, aged 73, and was buried there. He married at Bristol, by Rev. Barnabas Taylor, on October 24th, 1736, intention published September 13th, 1735, at Bristol, to Martha Wardwell, born Bristol, November 29th, 1716; died Bristol, July 9th, 1794, "aged 78 years," and was buried at Bristol. She was a daughter of Joseph and Martha (Giddens) Wardwell of Bristol.

Children: 2 (Howland), sons, both born in Bristol.

646a i. John, 1st,[6] born January 29th, 1736-7; died December 20th, 1737, at Bristol, and buried there.

647 ii. John, 2nd,[6] born March 9th, 1738-9; died December 6th, 1792, aged 54, at Bristol, R. I., and was buried there. He married, first, at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. John Burt, on October 25th, 1759, to Elizabeth Le Favor, born Bristol, May 28th, 1741; died Bristol, ——, 1784, and was buried there. She was a daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth (——) Le Favor of Bristol. He married,

second, at Bristol, by Elder Wright, on December 7th, 1785, intention published November 27th. 1785, to Mrs. Elizabeth (Martin) De Wolf (widow of Mark Antony De Wolf), born Bristol, October 10th, 1747; died January 27th, 1801, aged 54. She was a daughter of Captain William, Jr.. and Elizabeth (——) Martin of Bristol. Mark Antony De Wolf, her first husband, was probably the son of Mark Antony and Abigail (Potter) De Wolf of Bristol; and he was baptized at St. Michael's P. E. Church February 15th, 1746-7, the date of his death is not recorded at Bristol.

Children, first marriage: 12 (Howland), 7 sons and 5 daughters, all born in Bristol.

1. Samuel,[7] born June 13th, 1760; baptized by Elder Wright.
2. John,[7] born September 20th, 1761; baptized by Elder Wright.
3. Elizabeth,[7] born September 8, 1763; baptized by Elder Wright.
4. Daniel,[7] born February 11th, 1765; died September ——, 1795, aged 31; baptized by Elder Wright.
5. Martha,[7] born November 7th, 1766; baptized by Elder Wright.
6. Abigail,[7] born February 5th, 1768; baptized by Elder Wright.
7. Peleg,[7] born August 26th, 1769; died October ——, 1790; baptized by Elder Wright.
8. Nathaniel,[7] born September 9th, 1772; died March 18th, 1805, aged 32; baptized by Elder Wright.
9. Sarah, 1st,[7] born August 1st, 1774; died December 31st, 1775; baptized by Elder Wright.
10. Sarah, 2nd,[7] born December 17th, 1775; baptized by Elder Wright.
11. Le Favor,[7] born June 6th, 1778; baptized by Elder Wright.
12. Josiah Howland,[7] born March 6th, 1780; died December —, 1796, lost at sea; baptized by Elder Wright.

Children by second marriage: 1 (Howland), son, born in Bristol.

13. William Martin,[7] born June 26th, 1788; died May, ——, 1804, in Africa.

AUTHORITIES

Vital Records of R. I., Vol. VI, pp. 23, 28, 56, 83, 110, 139, 140; Vol. VIII, pp. 252, 374.
Howland Genealogy pp. 341, 353.

202. Tabitha[5] Howland (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., January 13th, 1715; died ——, at ——; married, first, at Bristol, by Rev. Barnabas Taylor, on May 12th, 1734, intention published December 8th, 1733 (*Bristol Vital Records,* Vol. VI., p. 28, says married May 12th, 1738) to Nathaniel Carey, born Bristol, R. I., November 5th, 1711; died Bristol, December 11th, 1739; he was a son of Benjamin and Susannah (——) Carey, of Bristol, R. I. She married, second, at Bristol, April 22nd, 1742 (intention published April 6th, 1742), to John Peckham of Newport, R. I., born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Child, first marriage: 1 (Carey) son, born at Newport, R. I.

648 i. Josiah,[6] born February 24th, 1738-9; died June 26th, 1739, at Bristol, R. I., and buried there.

Children, second marriage: None that are known of.

Authorities

Rhode Island Vital Records, Vol. VI, pp. 12, 28, 68, 83; Vol. VIII, p. 187. *Howland Genealogy,* p. 333.

204. Phebe[5] Howland (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., March 9th, 1720-21; died Bristol, November 30th, 1794, aged 74 years, "a widow," and was buried at Bristol. She married at Bristol, October 11th, 1741 (intention published September ——, 1741), to John Wardwell of Bristol; he was born at Bristol, October 12th, 1720; died ——, at ——. He was a son of Joseph and Martha (Giddens) Wardwell of Bristol.

Children: 12 (Wardwell), 7 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Bristol.

649 i. John,[6] born June 19th, 1742; baptized June 27th, 1742; died February 9th, 1773, aged 31; married Mrs. Hannah Swan.

650 ii. Nathaniel,[6] born March 29th, 1744; baptized April 1st, 1744; died June 2nd, 1770, on coast of Africa.

651 iii. Joseph,[6] born March 1st, 1746; baptized March 8th, 1746-7; died ——; married Elizabeth May.

652 iv. Phebe,[6] born January 23rd, 1748-9; baptized January 29th, 1748-9; died September 23rd, 1840, aged 92; married James Smith.

653 v. Susannah,[6] born January 15th, 1750-1; baptized January 20th, 1750-1; died August 15th, 1808: married Daniel Gladding.

654 vi. Mary,[6] born January 6th, 1753; baptized January 14th, 1753; died December 1st, 1819; married Peleg Pitman.

655 vii. Elizabeth,[6] born January 6th, 1753; baptized January 14th, 1753; died October 23rd, 1831, aged

79; married Jonathan Fales, Jr. Numbers 654 and 655 were twins.

656 viii. Samuel,[6] born April 25th, 1755; baptized June 5th, 1755; died ——.

657 ix. Tabitha,[6] born ——; baptized January 29th, 1758; died ——.

658 x. Daniel,[6] born ——; baptized May 25th, 1760; died ——.

659 xi. Allen, 1st,[6] born ——, baptized July 18th, 1762, died —— young.

660 xii. Allen 2nd,[6] born March 1st, 1765; baptized June 2nd, 1765; died March 31st, 1840, aged 76; married Abigail Smith, who died October 6th, 1844, aged 79.

AUTHORITIES

Rhode Island Vital Records, Vol. VI, pp. 23, 28, 56, 83, 110-11, 170; Vol. VIII, p. 267, 290.
Howland Genealogy, p. 333.

205. MARY[5] HOWLAND (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., March 18th, 1722-3; died ——, at ——; married at Bristol, R. I., September 26th, 1742 (intention published September 7th, 1742), to William Wardwell, born ——, at ——; died ——, 1760; drowned at sea.

Children: 9 (Wardwell), 5 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Bristol.

661 i. William, 1st,[6] born December 3rd, 1743; baptized January 8th, 1743-4; died February 15th 1744-5.

662 ii. Abigail,[6] born June 3rd, 1745; baptized June 9th. 1745; died ——; married Restcome Sandford.(?)

663 iii. Mary,[6] born ——; baptized October 25th, 1747; died ——.

664 iv. William, 2nd,[6] born ——; baptized January 29th. 1749-50; died ——.

665 v. Benjamin,[6] born ——; baptized February 9th, 1752; died February 28th, 1830, aged 78; married, first, Sarah Smith; married. second, Catharine ——; married, third, Huldah Smith.

666 vi. Sarah,[6] born ——; baptized March 3rd, 1754; died April 18th, 1754.

667 vii. Martha,[6] born ——; baptized June 29th, 1755: died June 19th, 1757.

668 viii. Samuel, 1st,[6] born ——; baptized August 27th. 1758; died May 14th, 1759, aged 10 months.

669 ix. Samuel, 2nd,[6] born ——; baptized May 25th. 1760; died ——; married Elizabeth Church.

AUTHORITIES

Rhode Island Vital Records, Vol. VI, pp. 28, 56, 83, 110, 170; Vol. VIII, p. 290.
Howland Genealogy, p. 333.

206. MEHITABLE[5] HOWLAND (Samuel[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Bristol, R. I., February 1st, 1724-5; died February 13th, 1764, at Bristol; married at Bristol, R. I., by Rev. John Burt, December 18th, 1746 (intention published November 29th, 1746), to Stephen Wardwell, born ——, 1722 (see age at, and date of death); died Bristol, August 6th, 1799, aged 77.

Children: 6 (Wardwell), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Bristol.

670 i. Elizabeth,[6] born July 7th, 1749; baptized July 23rd, 1749; died ——.
671 ii. Abigail,[6] born December 24th, 1751; baptized February 6th, 1752; died ——.
672 iii. Stephen,[6] born November 5th, 1754; baptized December 22nd, 1754; died ——.
673 iv. Josiah,[6] born July 20th, 1757; baptized September 25th, 1757; died ——.
674 v. James,[6] born January 9th, 1760; baptized February 17th, 1760; died October 2nd, 1815, aged 56.
675 vi. Hannah,[6] born November 6th, 1762; baptized January 30th, 1763; died ——.

AUTHORITIES

Rhode Island Vital Records, Vol. VI, pp. 28, 56, 83, 110, 120; Vol. VIII, pp. 267, 290.
Howland Genealogy, p. 333.

208. JOSEPH[5] HOWLAND (Joseph[4] Howland, Bethiah[3] Thacher, Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Bristol, Providence or Swanzey, R. I., December 6th, 1717; died at Newport, R. I., March ——, 1775 (or 3rd month, 1775). He married at Newport, R. I., by Rev. Nicholas Eyres, ——, 14th, 1745-6, to Sarah Barker, born at Middletown, R. I., April 5th, 1725; died at Providence, R. I., February 17, 1779 (or 12-2-1779), aged 54. She was a daughter of Jeremiah Barker (born January 16th, 1699; died ——; married ——, 1724) and Penelope (Hicks) Barker (born July 24th, 1703; died ——) of Middletown, R.I.

Sarah (Barker) Howland, widow of Joseph[5] Howland, when the British occupied Newport, R. I., in 1776, removed to Providence, R. I., where she died.

Children: 8 (Howland), 7 sons and 1 daughter; all possibly born at Newport, R. I. The order of their birth as given below is not necessarily correct.

676 i. Henry,[6] born ——, 1751; died July 9th, 1843, at Newport, R. I., aged 92 years and 4 months; he married ——, at ——, to Susan Baker (ac-

cording to *Thacher's Plymouth,* p. 131) or Susan Barker (according to *Howland Genealogy,* p. 342) of Rhode Island, born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

Child: 1 (Howland), son.

1. Benjamin Baker[7] (or Barker[7]), born 11-12-1787; died 21-10-1877; married at Newport, R. I., August 3rd, 1817, to Phebe C. Greene, born ——, 1792; died September 30th, 1849, aged 57. She was a daughter of Francis Greene. Children: 3 (Howland), daughters. 1. Susan,[8] born May 7th, 1718; died ——; married July 1st, 1839, to Robert Sherman of Newport, R. I.; he was born 10-10-1811; died 25-5-1881; 2. Sarah Jane,[8] born 12-8-1820; died May 22nd, 1846 (or 1849); 3. Mary James[8] (or Jones), born 2-10-1824. Benjamin Baker[7] Howland was for many years Town Clerk and Clerk of Probate at Newport, R. I.

677 ii. Penelope,[6] born ——, 1755; died —— married, first, Captain John Taber; married, second, Jonathan Gladding, and left descendants to the third and 4th generation.

678 iii. John,[6] born October 31st 1757 (or 31-10-1757); died 5-11-1854; he removed to Providence, R. I., and married 28-1-1788, to Mary Carlisle, born October 30th, 1760; died 28-5-1845. She was a daughter of John and Elizabeth (——) Carlisle of Providence, R. I.

Children: 11 (Howland), 6 of whom died under 2 years of age and are not here recorded.

1. Alfred,[7] born February 24th (or 26th), 1790; died 4-2-1816; not married.
2. Penelope,[7] born January 19th, 1792; died ——; m. August 19th, 1813, to Amherst Everett (son of Dr. Abijah Everett) of Attleboro, Mass. 6 children.
3. Benjamin Russell,[7] born October 20th, 1793 died October 16th, 1827, at Nashville, Tenn.; not married.
4. Janetta,[7] born October 6th, 1801; died March 21, 1865; not married.
5. Mary,[7] born August 11th, 1805; died ——; married 30-12-1831, to Roland Lyman of East Hampton and had 1 son and 1 daughter.

679 iv. Benjamin,[6] born ——, 1768; died ——, 1818; married 27-12-1794, to Susannah Andrews

(daughter of Zephaniah and Elizabeth (Eddy) Andrews of Providence), by whom he had 12 children (see *Howland Genealogy,* pp. 354-5, *et sequentia.*

680 v. Samuel,[6] born ——; died ——, abroad.
681 vi. Edward,[6] born ——; died ——, at Madras.
682 vii. Josiah,[6] born ——; died ——, at Jamaica, W. I.
683 viii. Joseph,[6] born ——; died February 15, 1772, at St. Lucia.

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SIXTH GENERATION.

210. MARY[6] HALLETT (Thankful[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., December 17th, 1717; died at Barnstable, August 19th, 1741, and was buried there near East Church; she married at Yarmouth, January 24th, 1737-8, to Captain Isaac Gorham, born at Barnstable, and baptized there April 17th, 1715; he lived at Barnstable and was a sea captain; he died at ——, Scotland, January ——, 1753; and was probably buried at ——, Scotland. He was a son of James Gorham, Jr. (born March 6th, 1676; died September 10th, 1718; married September 29th, 1707), and Mary (Joyce) Gorham (daughter of Hosea Joyce of Yarmouth) of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 2 (Gorham), daughters, both born in Barnstable.

684 i. Mary,[7] born ——, 1738 (about); died October 11th, 1828, in her 90th year in Yarmouth, and was buried at Yarmouth in old cemetery; gravestone. She married, February 8th, 1759, to Captain Elisha Hedge, born ——, 1735 (about); he resided at Yarmouth and died there September 4th, 1807, "in his 72nd year," and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone.

Children: 8 (Hedge), 7 sons and 1 daughter, all born, probably, at Yarmouth.

1. Desire,[8] married William Nicholas.
2. Isaac.[8]
3. Elisha,[8] married Sally Goodwin.
4. Edward,[8] married Lydia Hedge.
5. James,[8] married Abigail Doane.
6. Abram,[8] married Ruth Eldredge.
7. Polly,[8] married Timothy Hallett.
8. John,[8] married Clarissa Crowell.

For a continuation of this line, see Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* in library of New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

685 ii. Thankful,[7] born ——, 1741, about; died in Yarmouth, December 31st, 1812, "in her 71st year," and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. She married ——, at ——, to John Hall of Yarmouth.

Children: 7 (Hall), 6 sons and 1 daughter.

1. John,[8] born ——; died young.
2. James,[8] born ——; died young.
3. Gorham,[8] born ——; died ——; married Mary Hawes (daughter of James).
4. Edward,[8] born ——; died ——; married Sally ——, of South Carolina.
5. Ezekiel,[8] born ——; died ——; married Susanna Hallett (daughter of James).
6. Mary,[8] born ——; died ——.
7. John,[8] born ——; died ——; married Hannah Taylor.

Captain Isaac Gorham married, second, at Barnstable, September 2nd, 1742, to Mary Cobb; born Barnstable, June 14th, 1721; died ——, at ——; she was a daughter of Gershom and Hannah (Davis) Cobb of Barnstable, Mass.

Children; 4 (Gorham), 2 sons and 2 daughters, all born in Barnstable. *Not in Thacher line, viz.*:

1. Edward, baptized September 11th, 1743.
2. James, baptized August 4th, 1745; married Mary Baker.
3. Sarah, baptized June 19th, 1748.
4. Hannah, born June 17th, 1750.

Mary (Cobb) Gorham, widow of Captain Isaac Gorham, married, second, February 3rd, 1756-7, to James Churchill.

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211. JOHN[6] HALLETT (Thankful[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass, August 9th, 1719; he lived at Yarmouth and was a merchant; he died at Yarmouth, February 12th (or 14th), 1760, and was buried there in old cemetery; no gravestone. He married at Yarmouth, February 12th, 1747, to Rebecca Hallet, born Yarmouth, July 19th, 1723; died at Yarmouth, in house subsequently owned by George Winslow Thacher, date of death ——. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Hallett (born ——; died ——; married August 14th, 1712; will dated May 10th,

1760), and Rebecca (Howes) Hallett (born ——; died March 23rd, 1724-5), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 4 (Hallett), 2 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

686 i. Mary,[7] born December 26th, 1748; died December 18th, 1781, "in her 33rd year," at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone; she married Elisha Miller, born ——, 1746, about; died at Yarmouth, May 30th, 1813, "in his 67th year," and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone.

Children: 3 (Miller), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

1. John,[8] born ——; died ——; married Mary Hallett (see No. 705), daughter of Peter Hallett; and had one daughter, Almira[9] Miller.
2. Benjamin,[8] born ——; died ——; drowned.
3. Mary,[8] born ——; died ——; unmarried.

687 ii. Captain Charles,[7] born April 4th, 1751; died November 15th, 1821, "aged 70," at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. He lived in Yarmouth and was Captain of a vessel running from Yarmouth to Boston, and was also a merchant and storekeeper. He married at Yarmouth, June 5th, 1777, to Lydia[6] Thacher (No. 490), born Yarmouth, January 22nd, 1756; died Yarmouth, March 9th, 1838, "aged 82." She was a daughter of Joseph[5] Thacher (No. 140) and Abigail (Hawes) Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 8 (Hallett), 5 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

1. Rebecca,[8] born June 30th, 1778; died August 7th, 1846, at Boston; married Capt. Joshua Gray.
2. Charlotte,[8] born May 23rd, 1780; died December 17th, 1815; married Andrew Hallett.
3. Joseph Thacher,[8] born March 22nd, 1782; died November 23rd, 1799, "in his 18th year," at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; not married.
4. George,[8] born July 17th, 1784; died September 13th, 1845, at Boston; married Eliza Gordon.
5. Eunice,[8] born March 30th, 1787; died July 6th, 1854, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; no gravestone. Not married.

6. Charles,[8] born July 31st, 1789; died September 26th, 1832; married Betsey Parker.
7. Warren,[8] born November 21st (or 29th), 1790; died February 8th, 1811, aged 20, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone; not married.
8. Oliver,[8] born November 8th, 1792; died July 2nd, 1842, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Woodside Cemetery; gravestone; married Betsey Hamblin.

For further elaboration of this line, see Generation 6, Record No. 490 of Lydia[6] Thacher and those of her children, Nos. 1044 to 1051, inclusive.

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688 iii. Martha,[7] born November 2nd, 1753; died December 4th, 1794, "in her 42nd year," at Yarmouth, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone; not married.

689 iv. John,[7] born May 4th, 1756; died ——; he lived at Great Island, Yarmouth township, and was a farmer; he married, April 10th, 1781, to Hannah Hallett, daughter of Judah Hallett.

Children: 11 (Hallett), 6 sons and 5 daughters.

1. Freeman.[8]
2. Patty.[8]
3. John, 1st.[8]
4. John, 2nd.[8]
5. Hannah Griffin.[8]
6. Thankful.[8]
7. Daniel.[8]
8. Allen.[8]
9. Henry.[8]
10. Belinda.[8]
11. Mary.[8]

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212. PETER[6] HALLETT (Thankful[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., October 7th, 1721; died February ——, 1794, at ——; he married, first, ——, 1739, to Eunice Allen of Harwich, who died August 26th, 1752; he married, second, March 22nd, 1753, to Sarah Snow, who died February 13th, 1760; he mar-

ried, third, December 18th, 1760 (or 1761), to Lydia Buck (or Bearse).

Children: 19 (Hallett), 10 sons and 7 daughters, and 2 who are not mentioned here, who died young.

Children, first marriage:

690 i. Rebecca,[7] born January 15th, 1743; died February 24th, 1813; married Capt. David Bray, born ——, 1737; died March 4th, 1806, by whom she had 9 children.

691 ii. John Allen,[7] born November 14th, 1745; died ——; married Jane Mackey of Boston, by whom he had 3 children.

692 iii. Elkanah,[7] born September 16th, 1749; died ——. Not married.

693 iv. Eunice,[7] born December 24th, 1751; died ——.

Children, second marriage:

694 v. Lot,[7] born April 12th, 1754; died ——; frozen to death on whaling voyage.

695 vi. Hannah,[7] born October ——, 1756; died ——; married Edward Cobb, January 29th, 1778; he was born November 6th, 1752; died October 27th, 1819; lived in Yarmouth and removed to Westborough, Mass., in 1782, where he died. Children: 9.

696 vii. Temperance,[7] born September ——, 1758; died ——; married, first, July 24th, 1777, to Benjamin Wyat of Falmouth, by whom she had 1 son, viz: Lot[8] Wyat; she married, second, to Elisha Rice of Westborough, Mass., by whom she had no children.

697 viii. Thacher,[7] born ——; died ——, young.

Children, third marriage:

698 ix. Benjamin,[7] born August 13th, 1762; died ——, 1790, at sea, on coast of Africa.

699 x. George,[7] born July 21st, 1764.

700 xi. Prince,[7] born April 16th, 1765; died ——; not married.

701 xii. Job, 1st,[7] born February 26th, 1767; died ——, young.

702 xiii. Lydia,[7] born February 23rd, 1769; died ——; married (see *Otis' Barnstable Families*, pp. 517 and 519) Zenas Hallett, born August 9th, 1768; d. ——; son of Jonathan and Thankful (Crowell) Hallett. According to Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy* she married March 20th, 1788, to Alden Baker.

703 xiv. Sarah,[7] born February 10th, 1771; died ——; married ——, 1791, —— Homer, and removed from Yarmouth.

704 xv. Peter,[7] born March 2nd, 1775; died ——, at sea.

705 xvi. Mary,[7] born September 19th, 1777; died ——; married (see *Otis' Barnstable Families*, p. 517) Joseph Hallett. According to Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy* she married John Miller, son of Elisha and Mary (Hallett) Miller of Yarmouth, Mass.—See record No. 686.

706 xvii. Job, 2nd,[7] born July 28th, 1779; died ——; lived in Boston.

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213. ANNAH[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, December 9th, 1728; died at Barnstable, October 13th, 1796, "in her 68th year," and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. She married at Barnstable, October 3rd, 1752 (or October 30th, 1751), to Nathaniel Gorham, born Barnstable, September 30th, 1726; he lived at Barnstable, where he was a farmer and a salt manufacturer; he died ——; his estate was settled in February —, 1801, by his two sons. He was a son of John Gorham (born September 28th, 1688; died ——, 1769; married October 2nd, 1712), and Prudence (Crocker) Gorham (born July 26th, 1692; died ——, 1778, aged 86), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 2 (Gorham) sons, both born in Barnstable.

707 i. Lewis,[7] born November 11th, 1753; died January 16th, 1821; he lived at Barnstable in the house of his father and grandfather; he was a blacksmith and for many years Deputy Sheriff; he married April 14th, 1774, to Sarah Phinney (daughter of David Phinney), born March 4th, 1754; died February 10th, 1851, aged 97-1-6. During the Revolutionary War Lewis Gorham took an active part in local proceedings in Barnstable. His widow at death had living 5 children, 30 grandchildren, 64 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Children: 5 (Gorham), 3 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Anner,[8] born March 29th, 1775; died ——; married July 12th, 1798, to Thomas Harris of Boston.
2. David,[8] born August 16th, 1778; died ——; married Hannah Nye.

3. John,[8] born July 16th, 1781; died October 11th, 1824; married April 12th, 1804, to Martha Cobb, who died February 20th, 1839.
4. Henry,[8] born August 8th, 1785; died ——; married Martha (or Polly) Hoxie; int. pub. September 21st, 1806.
5. Sarah,[8] born May 12th, 1793; died June 4th, 1878; married Barnabas Hinckley, as his third wife, on January 30th, 1817.

708 ii. George Lewis,[7] born October 3rd, 1763; died October 8th, 1839, at Barnstable, "aged 76 years," and was buried at Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. He married, first, at Barnstable, March 25th, 1784, to Phebe[7] Davis (No. 825), born ——, at Barnstable; died ——, between February 8th, 1735, and October 9th, 1789 (see date of birth of child by first marriage and first child by second marriage). She was a daughter of Joseph Davis (born August 15th, 1733; died ——; married November 17th, 1763), and Lucretia[6] (Thacher) Davis (No. 261), (born April 20th, 1737), of Barnstable, Mass. He married, second, at Barnstable, ——, 1785 (his second wife was only 16 years old at marriage), to Mary Lucretia[7] Davis (No. 828, sister of his first wife), born ——, 1769, about; died April 27th, 1857, aged 88, at Barnstable, and buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground.

Children: 6 (Gorham), 2 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Barnstable.

Child by first marriage:

1. Phebe,[8] born February 8th, 1785; died ——; married James Childs; 3 children.

Children by second marriage:

2. Nathaniel,[8] born October 9th, 1789; died ——; married Hannah Gorham, April 11th, 1813.
3. Deborah,[8] born March 19th, 1792; d. ——. (A Deborah Gorham married at Barnstable, January 28th, 1812, to Charles G. Eastabrook of Barnstable.)
4. Anna Lewis,[8] born April 21st, 1795; died ——; married Nymphas Davis, August 7th, 1814.
5. Benjamin Davis,[8] born July 29th, 1798.
6. Mary Davis,[8] born December 1st, 1808; died ——; married December 14th, 1826, to Nathaniel S. Hallett.

Mary Lucretia[7] (Davis) Gorham, after the death of her husband, George Lewis[7] Gorham, married a second time to Deacon Joseph Hawes of Yarmouth, whom she survived. Deacon Joseph Hawes was born October 11th, 1758; died March 17th, 1850, and was buried in old cemetery at Yarmouth; gravestone.
Children: (Hawes) None.

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215. JOHN[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, October 5th, 1731; died ——; married Deborah Phinney, October 19th, 1752.

Children: 8 (Lewis), 7 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

709 i. David,[7] born August 10th, 1753; died ——; married, first, October 7th, 1772, to Martha (or Patty) Lumbart; married, second, possibly July 19th, 1832, to widow Sarah G. Freeman.

710 ii. Peter,[7] born June 7th, 1756; died ——; married Mehitable Hinckley, July 19th, 1778.

711 iii. Ebenezer,[7] born March 30th, 1759; died ——; married March 4th, 1783 (int.) Bethania Phinney of Falmouth, and removed to Waquoit.

712 iv. John,[7] born August 4th, 1763; died ——; removed to Waquoit.

713 v. Deborah,[7] born June 4th, 1766; died ——; married Thomas (or Charles) Dimmick.

714 vi. Elijah,[7] born March 23rd, 1769; died ——; removed to Boston.

715 vii. Thacher,[7] born May 3rd, 1772; died ——; married —— Toby and removed to Falmouth.

716 viii. Joshua,[7] born December 17th, 1775; died ——.

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217. SARAH[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, July 31st, 1737; died June 23rd, 1785, at Barnstable (probably); married February 20th, 1755, to Otis Loring of Barnstable.

Children: 3 (Loring), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

717 i. David,[7] born ——; died ——; married Polly (Crosby) Gray, daughter of Edward Crosby and his wife Hannah[6] (Gorham) Crosby (see records Nos. 125 and 419) and widow of Elisha Gray.

Children: 4 (Loring), 2 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Sally Lewis.[8]
2. Mary[8] (Polly).
3. John.[8]
4. Elisha,[8] born ——; died ——; married Hannah Hawes and had two children.

718 ii. George,[7] born ——; died ——.

719 iii. Sarah, born ——; died ——; married Silas Blish and had one child:

1. Olive[8] Blish.

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219. MAJOR GEORGE[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, April 9th, 1741; he lived at Barnstable until 1782 and removed to Gorham, Maine. He was a Major in Revolutionary War and a deacon in old church in Gorham. He died at Gorham, July 24th, 1819, aged 78 years, and was buried there. He married, first, at Barnstable, October 12th, 1760, to Mary Davis, born Barnstable, April 29th, 1740; died at Barnstable, February —, 1782, and was buried there. She was a daughter of Hon. Daniel Davis (born September 28th, 1713; died April 22nd, 1799, aged 85-6-13), and Mehitable (Lothrop) Davis (baptized June 27th 1725; died Nov. —, 1764), of Barnstable. He married, second, at Barnstable, January 27th, 1783, to Desire Parker, born at Barnstable, ——, 1736, about; died at Gorham, Maine, May 19th, 1815, aged 79, and was buried there. She was a daughter of Samuel Parker of West Barnstable.

Children: 11 (Lewis), 6 sons and 5 daughters, all by first marriage, and all born in Barnstable.

720 i. Mehitable,[7] born July 21st, 1762; died January 31st, 1835, at Oakham, Mass.; married April 13th, 1783, at Barnstable to Nathaniel Crocker, born June 28th, 1758; died Aug. 15th, 1855, at Buffalo, N. Y. He was the son of Job Crocker.

Children: 10 (Crocker), 6 sons and 4 daughters.

1. Job,[8] born August 28th, 1784; died July 6th, 1814.
2. Nathaniel,[8] born March 30th, 1785; died August —, 1855, at Oakham, Mass.
3. George Lewis, 1st,[8] born July 27th, 1786; died July 6th, 1793.
4. Solomon,[8] born June 23rd, 1790; died April 12th, 1835, at Oakham, Mass.; married Abigail Warren, December 4th 1817; 5 children.

5. Robert,[8] born July 19th, 1792; died November 2nd, 1800.
6. Mary[8] (Polly), born November 18th, 1794; died July 5, 1841, at Oakham; married James Allen, int. pub. Feb. 4th, 1816.
7. George Lewis, 2nd,[8] born February 6th, 1797; died August 23rd, 1860, at Buffalo, N. Y.; married, first, Mowna Whipple; married, second, Sarah Orr.
8. Mehitable Davis,[8] born December 6th, 1801; died May 8th, 1836, at Oakham. Not married.
9. Abigail Lewis,[8] born October 17th, 1804; died April —, 1860; married, first, —— Burseley; married, second, —— Adams.
10. Reliance,[8] born April 30th, 1807; died January 26th, 1848; married —— Mellen.

721 ii. Lothrop,[7] born February 13th, 1764; died October 9th, 1822, at Bangor, Maine; he lived at Gorham, Maine. He was a Colonel in Military Service; Justice of the Peace, Deputy Sheriff, Selectman, Rep. to G. C. and Member of Board of War, 1812-15; land agent State of Maine. He married, first, at Gorham, January 20th, 1794, int. pub. August 17th, 1793, to Tabitha Longfellow, born Gorham, Maine, October 9th, 1774; died there April 15th, 1807. She was a daughter of Judge Stephen and Patience (Young) Longfellow of Gorham, Maine. He married, second, April 19th, 1810, at ——, to Mary Jackson (Prescott) Little (widow of John Park Little and daughter of Judge Oliver Prescott of Groton, Mass.), born ——, at ——; died May 30, 1863, aged 88 years and 6 months.

Children: first marriage, 7 (Lewis), 5 of whom died young and are not mentioned here, all born at Gorham, Maine.

1. Stephen Longfellow,[8] born March 14th, 1795; died February 1st, 1825; married Jane Thomas.
2. Mary Longfellow,[8] born November 15th, 1796; died ——; married Jacob S. Smith.

Children: second marriage, 3 (Lewis) daughters.

3. Annah D.,[8] born May 30th, 1811; died October 4th, 1811.
4. Catharine Bigelow, born May 14th, 1813; died March 17th, 1825.
5. Elizabeth P.,[8] born March 19th, 1816; died September 1st, 1838, aged 22; married, first,

Col. Stephen McL. Staples; married, second, Col. Hugh D. McClellan.

722 iii. Sarah,[7] born January 13th, 1766; died September 12th, 1849, at Franklin, N. H.; married at Gorham, Maine, March 9th, 1792, to Captain Ebenezer Peabody of Gorham, Maine, and Peterborough, N. H.; born February 13th, 1767, at Boxford, Mass. (probably); died July 26th, 1816, at Peterborough, N. H. He was a son of Lieut. Ebenezer Peabody of Boxford, Mass.

Children: 10 (Peabody), 5 sons and 5 daughters, all born in Gorham, Maine.

1. Kendall Osgood,[8] born December 20th, 1792; died January 23rd, 1855; married, first, Alice Blanchard; second, Betsey Austin. He lived at Franklin, N. H.
2. Ebenezer,[8] born September 3rd, 1794; died ——, 1847; married Rebecca Robertson.
3. Eloisa,[8] born August 10th, 1796; died April 5th, 1858; married Charles M. Davis.
4. Caroline,[8] born July 9th, 1798; died July 6th, 1827; married Dexter Baldwin.
5. William H.,[8] born January 20th, 1801; died March 2nd, 1843; married Hannah March.
6. James Lewis,[8] born July 25th, 1803; died August 7th, 1866; married Sarah J. Blake.
7. Elizabeth K.,[8] born May 5th, 1805; died April 8th, 1832; married Ebenezer Robinson.
8. Sarah Lewis,[8] born March 29th, 1807; d.——; married Ira Greeley.
9. Charles,[8] born June 20th, 1814.
10. Hannah P.,[8] born September 10th, 1815.

723 iv. Annah,[7] born March 21st, 1768; died April 10th, 1849; aged 81; married October 14th, 1785, at Gorham, Maine, to John Darling, born Plymouth, Mass., ——, 1758; died Gorham, Maine, April 7th, 1832. He was a son of Jonathan and Martha (Bramhall) Darling of Plymouth, Mass.

Children: 10 (Darling), 3 sons and 7 daughters, all born at Gorham.

1. John,[8] born June 6th, 1787; died December 15th, 1803.
2. Robert,[8] born May 6th, 1789; died ——, 1805; lost at sea.
3. George Lewis,[8] born October 7th, 1791; died June 16th, 1865; married Mahala (Virgin) Hanscom, widow of Daniel Hanscom.
4. Mary Lewis,[8] born October 8th, 1793; died ——, in New York; married James Smith.

5. Martha,[8] born October 4th, 1796; died June 7th, 1801.
6. Sarah A.,[8] born April 17th, 1799; died January 6th, 1817.
7. Mehitable C.,[8] born November 16th, 1801; died January 23rd, 1885. Not married.
8. Martha,[8] born September 4th, 1806; died July 3rd, 1883. Not married.
9. Tabitha Longfellow,[8] born September 3rd, 1808; died March 19th, 1865; married Joseph Babb.
10. Abigail Prentiss,[8] born July 30th, 1810; died May 12th, 1876. Not married.

724 v. Rev. James,[7] born August 21st, 1770; died August 20th, 1855, at Gorham, Maine; he lived at Gorham, Maine, and was a Methodist minister; married at Gorham, Maine, September 24th, 1793 (int. pub. September 7th, 1793), to Hannah Harding, born September 28th, 1775, at Gorham, Maine; died May 3rd, 1848, at Gorham, Maine. She was a daughter of Capt. Samuel and Martha Ann (Brown) Harding of Gorham, Maine.

Children: 12 (Lewis), 10 sons and 2 daughters, all born in Gorham, Maine.

1. Samuel Brown,[8] born August 25th, 1794; died September 21st, 1816, at Port au Prince.
2. Desire Parker, born May 12th, 1796; died ——; married May 6th, 1819, to Nathaniel Jordan.
3. George,[8] born July 16th, 1798; died ——; married, first, January 28th, 1819, to Achsah Jordan; married, second, ——, to Mary S. Roberts.
4. Timothy Merritt,[8] born July 16th, 1800; died May 12th, 1802.
5. James,[8] born October 14th, 1802; died May —, 1814.
6. Elijah P.,[8] born December 29th, 1804; died June 19th (or 25th), 1831, aged 26.
7. John,[8] born February 24th, 1807; died June 19th, 1874, at Portland, Me.; married January 26th, 1833, to Sabrina Hamblin.
8. Martha,[8] born March 24th, 1809; died ——; married Joseph H. Rich of Chesterville.
9. Josiah,[8] born April 26th, 1811; died May 9th, 1842, at Wapells, Iowa.
10. James,[8] born January 12th, 1814; died ——; lived in Utah.

11. Samuel H.,[8] born April 1st, 1816; died September 19th, 1843, at Madison, Georgia; married October 7th, 1838, to Dollie Lunt.
12. Frederick,[8] born ——; died ——.

Rev. James[7] Lewis was a man of ability, character and property. About the year 1803 he became a convert to Methodism, and was thereafter an earnest and zealous preacher. His great fluency of speech, powerful voice and evident sincerity drew together large congregations. He travelled extensively and when past 80 years of age he visited his relatives on Cape Cod. To the last his physical and intellectual vigor remained almost unimpaired. He died highly respected by men of every shade of religious belief.

725 vi. Ansel,[7] born February 2nd, 1773; died October 8th, 1826, at Portland, Maine; he lived at Portland, Maine, and was a land surveyor. He married March 29th, 1795, at Portland, Maine, to Comfort Manchester, born ——, at ——; died May 4th, 1865, at Gorham, Maine.

Children: 8 (Lewis), 4 sons and 4 daughters.

1. Ansel.[8]
2. Mary.[8]
3. George.[8]
4. Edward.[8]
5. William.[8]
6. Abigail.[8]
7. Eliza Ann.[8]
8. Sarah.[8]

726 vii. Major George,[7] born March 28th, 1775; died September 19th, 1857, at Bridgton, Maine; he lived at Bridgton, Maine, and was a farmer and Major of Militia; he married February 3rd, 1800, at Gorham, Maine, to Ruth Lincoln, born February 16th, 1781, at Hingham, Mass.; died June 25th, 1853, at Bridgton, Maine. She was a daughter of Royal and Jerusha (Waterman) Lincoln of Gorham, Maine.

Children: 6 (Lewis), 2 sons and 4 daughters, all born in Bridgton, Maine, except No. 6, born in Gorham, Maine.

1. Royal L.,[8] born November 11th, 1800; died October 14th, 1844; married Mary Marrett.
2. Harriet M.,[8] born July 15th, 1802; died ——; married Rev. Jacob Bray.
3. Lothrop,[8] born September 4th, 1805; died October 25th, 1879; married Mary Jones.
4. Tabitha L.,[8] born September 23rd, 1807; died ——, 1847; married Stephen Willey.
5. Jerusha L.,[8] born November 4th, 1811; died August 3rd, 1876; married Benjamin Cleaves of Bridgton, Maine.

6. Sarah P.,[8] born August 23rd, 1817; died January 17th, 1900; married Aaron Woodbury.

727 viii. Rev. Daniel Davis,[7] born July 22nd, 1777; died September 24th, 1849, at Paterson (or New Brunswick), N. J. He was a Baptist minister and removed to New Jersey, where he preached in various places. He married at Gorham, Maine, May 13th, 1798 (int. pub. March 31, 1798), to Mary (Polly) Dyer, born May 23rd, 1781, at Gorham, Maine; died August 17th, 1876, aged 96, at Philadelphia, Pa. She was a daughter of Capt. Jonah and Elizabeth (Deake-Clark) Dyer, (dau. of George and Mary (——) Deake, and adopted daughter of Rev. Ephraim Clark of Cape Elizabeth, Maine,) of Gorham, Maine.

Children: 7 (Lewis), 2 sons and 5 daughters.

1. Elizabeth.[8]
2. Daniel Davis.[8]
3. Davis.[8]
4. Mary Ann.[8]
5. Jane.[8]
6. Caroline Prentiss.[8]
7. Charlotte.[8]

728 ix. Mary,[7] born September 29th, 1779; died September 27th, 1804, aged 25, at Gorham, Maine, and was buried there; not married; at time of her death she was engaged to be married to Joseph Skillings of Gorham, Maine.

729 x. Robert,[7] born January 12th, 1872; d. ——, young, at Gorham, Maine, and was buried there; not married.

730 xi. Abigail,[7] born January 12th, 1782; died August 9th, 1865, at Newark, N. J.; married at Gorham, Maine, December 11th (or 12th), 1804, to Captain William Prentiss, born October 11th, 1778 (1782, according to *History of Gorham, Maine*), died February 23rd, 1826, at Gorham, Maine. He was a successful sea captain and lived at Portland, Maine, until 1812, when he removed to Gorham. He was a son of Samuel Prentiss (born May 26th, 1753; died January 10th, 1815; married October 24th, 1776), and his first wife, Dolly (Day) Prentiss (born ——; died May 23rd, 1787), of Gorham, Maine.

Children: 9 (Prentiss), 4 sons and 5 daughters; first six born in Portland, rest in Gorham.

1. Caroline,[8] born December 29th, 1805; died May 6th, 1810, at Portland, Me.
2. William,[8] born August 5th, 1807; died December 7th, 1867; married September 12th, 1834 (or 1835), to Angelina G. Hunt, born

——; died August 23rd, 1885. He was a merchant in New York. She was a daughter of Capt. Daniel Hunt by his wife Mrs. Angelina (Griffin) Hastie-Hunt (she of Philadelphia, Pa.) of Gorham, Maine. 7 children.

3. Sergeant Smith,[8] born September 30th, 1808; died July 1st, 1850; married March 3rd, 1842, to Mary Jane Williams (daughter of —— Williams and his wife —— (Percy) Williams of Natchez, Miss.). He lived in Natchez, Miss., and was a lawyer; in the Mississippi State Legislature, and a distinguished orator. 4 children.
4. Samuel,[8] born April 29th, 1811; died ——; lived in Southern Missouri; he did marry.
5. Mary Caroline,[8] born March 16th, 1813; died March 9th (or 18th), 1815.
6. Abigail Lewis,[8] born November 3rd, 1814; died January 30th, 1847; not married.
7. George Lewis,[8] born May 12th, 1816; died ——; married April 16th, 1845, to Elizabeth Payson, born October 26th, 1818, at Portland, Maine; died August 13th, 1878, at Dorset, Vermont. She was a daughter of Rev. Edward Payson, D. D., of Portland, Maine. He was of Bowdoin College, 1835; D. D., Bowdoin, 1855; minister of the Gospel; Prof. of Theology in Union Theological Seminary, N. Y. City; 6 children.
8. Hannah (or Anna) Smith,[8] born February 21st, 1818; died January 2nd, 1869, at Newark, N. J.; married November 15th, 1843, to Rev. Jonathan French Stearns, D. D., born September 4th, 1808; H. C. 1830, D. D. 1850. He was a Presbyterian clergyman and an author. He was a son of Rev. Samuel and Abigail (French) Stearns, of Bedford, Mass. 3 children.
9. Mary Smith,[8] born January 10th, 1821; died May 10th, 1881; not married.

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221. JOSIAH[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., April 29th,

1745; died ——; killed by the falling of a tree upon him, at Barnstable, Mass.; he was a ship carpenter and lived at Barnstable; he married ——, at ——, to ——, and had the following:

Children: 4 (Lewis), 3 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

731 i. Josiah,[7] born ——.
732 ii. Joseph Green,[7] born ——.
733 iii. Harvey,[7] born ——.
733½ iv. Hannah,[7] born ——; died ——; married Sylvester Baker.

A Josiah Lewis married Hannah Green (or Gorham?) at Barnstable, March 3rd, 1771. It may possibly have been the above Josiah[6] Lewis (No. 221).

A Josiah Lewis married a Sally Gorham at Barnstable, October 10th, 1816. This may have been Josiah[7] Lewis (son of Josiah[6] Lewis, No. 221).

The above record of Josiah[6] Lewis was taken from *Otis' Barnstable Families,* Vol. II, p. 145, and cannot be strictly vouched for, as Amos Otis is somewhat confused in his record, but I have endeavored to eliminate doubtful statements.

223. SUSANNAH[6] LEWIS (Sarah[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass. September 26th (or 5th), 1749, "a few hours before midnight"; died at Barnstable (probably) September 25th, 1841, aged 91, and was presumably buried there; she married at Barnstable, Mass., date of marriage ——, to Jonathan Davis, born Barnstable, Mass., September 27th, 1749, "a few hours after midnight," baptized there October 1st, 1749; he lived at Barnstable and was a mariner and farmer. He died at Barnstable, September 22nd, 1840, aged 91. He was a son of Stephen Davis (born December 12th, 1700; died January 4th, 1782; married ——, 1723), and Rebecca (——) Davis (born ——; died November 28th, 1769, aged 60), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children 4 (Davis), 3 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

734 i. Stephen,[7] born ——; died ——; he removed to Falmouth; he was a carpenter; and left descendants.
735 ii. Susannah,[7] born ——; died ——.
736 iii. George,[7] born ——; died November 6th, 1847, aged 68; lived in Barnstable; a shoemaker; he left one son, Isaac Davis.
737 iv. Solomon,[7] born ——; died ——, quite young; left descendants in Dennis, Mass.

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225. Captain Thomas[6] Crocker (Temperance[5] Thacher, Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born June 8th, 1735, at West Barnstable, Mass.; he lived at West Barnstable and removed to Lee, Mass., in 1781, where he died July 5th, 1796, and was there buried; gravestone. He married ——, 1756, to Mercy Hamblen, born Barnstable, November 15th, 1737; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of Seth Hamblen (born March —, 1708; married October 9th, 1735), and his wife Sarah (Blush) Hamblen (born October 1st, 1707), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 12 (Crocker), 4 sons and 8 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

738 i. Temperance,[7] born ——; died ——; married, first Levi Chase; married, second, Timothy Phelps.

Children: first marriage, 9 (Chase), 3 sons and 6 daughters, all born at Lee, Mass.; second marriage (Phelps), none.

1. Polly,[8] born December 5th, 1777; died ——; married June 3rd, 1795, to Reuben Pixley, Jr.; 4 children.
2. Silence Foster,[8] born July 31st, 1779; died ——; married February 22nd, 1798, to Levi Fowler; 2 children.
3. Levi,[8] born May 25th, 1781; died ——; married February 11th, 1802, to Sally Bassett; 4 children.
4. Mercy,[8] born January 8th, 1782; died February 5th, 1782.
5. Seth Crocker,[8] born March 13th, 1783; died May —, 1783.
6. Thomas Crocker,[8] born June 1st, 1785; died ——; married, first, Rebecca Mayo; married, second, Melinda Butts (or Batts).
7. Abigail,[8] born April 17th, 1788; died ——; married Samuel McGunnagol; 1 child, who died young.
8. Betsey,[8] born December 2nd, 1789; died ——; married Freeman Woodruff.
9. Tabitha,[8] born July 7th, 1791; died July 27th, 1791.

739 ii. Abigail,[7] born ——; died ——; married Stephen Nye, born ——, about 1756, at Sandwich, Mass.; died March 25th, 1791; he was a son of Lot Nye and his wife Hannah (Nye) Nye (daughter of Jonathan Nye of Hardwick, Mass.) of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 7 (Nye), 1 son and 6 daughters.

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1. Hannah,[8] born May 20th, 1777; died ——; married Solomon Otis; 4 children.
2. Chloe,[8] born February 16th, 1779; died ——; married Matthias Smith; 9 children.
3. Prince,[8] born February 27th, 1781; died ——; married Bethia Jones; 4 children.
4. Mercy,[8] born ——; died ——, young.
5. Deborah,[8] born February 20th, 1785; died ——; married Ansel Lothrop; 5 children.
6. Sally,[8] born December 15th, 1787; died ——; married Francis Jones; 4 children.
7. Abigail,[8] born September 19th, 1789; died ——; married Thomas Williams (or John Robinson); 3 children.

740 iii. Chloe,[7] born ——; died ——, at ——, in infancy.

741 iv. Seth,[7] born ——; died ——, at sea.

742 v. Mercy,[7] born ——; died ——; married at Lee, Mass., ——; int. pub. April 13th, 1783, to William Ingersoll, Jr., of Lee, Mass.; born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——. He was a son of William Ingersoll (born April —, 1724; died at Lee, Mass., August 10th, 1815, aged 91 yrs., 4 mo.), and Lydia (——) Ingersoll (born ——, 1729; died June 2nd, 1804, aged 75, at Lee, Mass.), of Lee, Mass., of which town William Ingersoll was one of the first settlers.

Children: 11 (Ingersoll), 7 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Lee, Mass.

1. Lydia,[8] born November 10th, 1783; died August 12th, 1806, at Lee, Mass. Not married.
2. Seth Crocker,[8] born May 1st, 1785; died ——; married Polly Whiting; 3 children.
3. William,[8] born March 21st, 1787; died ——; married —— (int. pub. at Lee, November 25th, 1813), to Catharine Howk.
4. Celia,[8] born January 21st, 1790; died ——, young.
5. Sarah,[8] born June 21st, 1792; died ——, young.
6. Thomas,[8] born November 2nd, 1794; died ——, young.
7. Joseph,[8] born December 22nd, 1796; died ——, young.
8. James,[8] born May 7th, 1799; died ——, young.
9. Marshall,[8] born January 29th, 1802; died ——, young.
10. Charles,[8] born May 2nd, 1804; died ——, young.

11. Harriet,[8] born January 21st, 1807; died ——, young.

743 vi. Ensign Joseph,[7] born ——, 1766; died January 8th, 1796; aged 30, at Lee, Mass.; married Polly Van Dusen.

Children: 4 (Crocker), 1 son and 3 daughters, all born at Lee, Mass.

1. Elizabeth Wormer,[8] born September 4th, 1790; died ——; married Artemas Hammond.
2. Marcy Hamlin,[8] born December 1st, 1791; died September 7th, 1795, at Lee, Mass.; gravestone.
3. Temperance,[8] born November 10th, 1793; died ——.
4. Joseph,[8] born December 17th, 1795; died July 24th, 1796, at Lee, Mass.; gravestone.

744 vii. Paul,[7] born ——; died ——, in childhood.

745 viii. Josiah,[7] born ——; died ——; married January 15th, 1795, at Lee, Mass., to Hannah Crosby.

Children: 12 (Crocker), 8 sons, 3 daughters and 1, sex not stated; 8 of whom are recorded at Lee, Mass.

1. Thomas,[8] born March 25th, 1795; died April 6th, 1797, at Lee, Mass.
2. Seth,[8] born January 5th, 1796.
3. Betsey Crosby,[8] born April 3rd, 1798; died December 23rd, 1798, at Lee, Mass.
4. Josiah,[8] born September 23rd, 1799.
5. Betsey,[8] born March 3rd, 1801.
6. Child,[8] born January 12th, 1803; died February 4th, 1804.
7. Theresa,[8] born February 5th, 1804.
8. Thomas,[8] born March 23rd, 1805.
9. Joseph,[8] born ——.
10. John,[8] born ——.
11. Stephen Nye,[8] born ——.
12. Abner,[8] born ——.

746 ix. Tabitha,[7] born ——; died ——; married January 12th, 1797, at Lee, Mass., to Samuel Winegar, born at Lee, Mass., February 11th, 1767; died ——; he was a son of John Winegar (died at Lee, Mass., March 14th, 1798, aged 35 yrs., 2 mos.), and his wife Betsey (——) Winegar, of Lee, Mass.

Children: 7 (Winegar), 2 sons and 5 daughters; first 2 recorded at Lee.

1. John,[8] born September 19th, 1797.

2. Elizabeth,[8] born March 3rd, 1799.
3. Mary Ann,[8] born ——.
4. Anna,[8] born ——.
5. Hannah,[8] born ——; died ——, young.
6. Charles,[8] born ——.
7. Harriet,[8] born ——.

747 x. Alice Hoyt,[7] born ——; died ——; married at Lee, Mass., March 27th, 1794, to Jacob Pennoyer of Lee, Mass.

Children: 5 (Pennoyer), 3 sons and 2 daughters; first 2 recorded at Lee.

1. Sally,[8] born January 19th, 1795.
2. Marcy,[8] born August, 10th, 1797.
3. David,[8] born ——.
4. Josiah Crocker,[8] born ——.
5. Zenas,[8] born ——.

748 xi. Hannah,[7] born ——; died ——; married, first, at Lee, Mass.; February 1st, 1798, to Calvin Davis, born Lee, Mass., March 5th, 1778; died at Lee, Mass., December 16th, 1803, in 25th year; he was a son of Isaac Davis of Lee, Mass. (died January 15th, 1780, at Lee, aged, in 63rd year). She married, second, at Lee, Mass., December 4th, 1806, to John Winegar, born Lee, Mass., June 10th, 1777; died ——; he was a son of John and Betsey (——) Winegar of Lee, Mass.

Children: first marriage, 2 (Davis) sons, both born at Lee.

1. Joseph Crocker,[8] born February 25th, 1799; died March 1st, 1826; married —— (int. pub. February 29th, 1824), to Harriet Heath.
2. Isaac Calvin,[8] born September 8th, 1801; died ——; married —— (int. pub. April 15th, 1827), to Pamela M. Heath.

Children, second marriage, 5 (Winegar), 3 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Lee.

3. John,[8] born September 25th, 1807.
4. Angeline,[8] born July 31st, 1809.
5. Stephen Shepherd,[8] born May 20th, 1813.
6. William Henry,[8] born September 11th, 1816.
7. Thadmia,[8] born June 30th, 1819.

749 xii. Thankful,[7] born ——; died January 25th, 1844, at De Ruyter, N. Y.; married at Lee, Mass., January 23rd, 1801, to James Nye, born at Sandwich, Mass., January 31st, 1780; he lived at Sandwich and Lee, Mass., and removed in 1807 to De Ruyter, N. Y., where he was a farmer and Rep. to

New York Legislature in 1818 and 1825; he died at De Ruyter, February 25th, 1845. He was a son of Capt. John Nye (born May 11th, 1757; died ——, 1840; married February 21st, 1777), and Anna Wing, who resided at Sandwich, Mass.

Children: 9 (Nye), 6 sons and 3 daughters.

1. Thomas Crocker,[8] born September —, 1802; died ——, 1872; married Jane Van Valkenburg.
2. John, 1st,[8] born ——; died August 20th, 1805.
3. Eliza Ann,[8] born October 11th, 1806; died February 5th, 1899; not married.
4. Joseph Warren,[8] born September 2nd, 1809; died ——; married Sophia Keep. (Twins.)
5. Mary,[8] born September 2nd, 1809; died December 25th, 1854; married Francis Sears. (Twins.)
6. John, 2nd,[8] born February 1st, 1812; died ——; he did marry ——?
7. James Warren,[8] born June 10th, 1814; died December 25th, 1876; married Elsie Benson.
8. Katherine Sophia,[8] born November —, 1816; died April —, 1889; married John Starr.
9. Charles Henry,[8] born September —, 1819; died ——, 1842.

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226. CAPTAIN JOSIAH[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., July 22nd (or 25th), 1735 (1736); he lived at Yarmouth, Mass., in the east half of the Sears' house; he was an officer in the Revolutionary War; he died at Kingston, Mass., October 5th, 1800 (or 1799), and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He married, first, at Yarmouth, June 3rd, 1763, to Elizabeth Hamblin, born Yarmouth, February 4th, 1737-8; died Yarmouth, May 10th, 1773, "in her 36th year," and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Deacon Joseph Hamblin (born June 4th, 1702; died January 19th, 1777; married March 3rd, 1726-7), and Elizabeth (Matthews) Hamblin, of Yarmouth, Mass. He married, second, at Kingston, Mass., November 12th, 1776, to Elizabeth Lothrop, born ——, 1758; died at Kingston, Mass., May 3rd or 13th), 1815, aged 57 years, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Capt. Benjamin Lothrop (born ——; died September 23rd, 1787, "aged 84th year"), and his second wife, Ruth (——) Lothrop (died November 3rd, 1778, in 61st year), of Kingston, Mass.

Children: first marriage, 2 (Thacher) sons, both born, died and buried in Yarmouth, Mass.

750 i. (Son[7]), born ——; died ——; lived only a few hours.

751 ii. (Son[7]), born ——; lived only a few hours.

Children, second marriage, 2 (Thacher) sons.

752 iii. Benjamin Lothrop,[7] born ——, 1779; died May 27th, 1785, in 6th year, at Kingston, Mass., and buried there in Old Cemetery.

753 iv. Lewis,[7] born ——, 1782-3; died April 22nd, 1800, in the West Indies; gravestone to his memory in Old Cemetery in Kingston, Mass.; not married.

In the Old Cemetery at Kingston, Mass., there is a monument bearing the following inscription, viz:—"Captain Josiah Thacher, died October 5th, 1800, aged 64 years. Lewis, son of Captain Josiah and Betsey, died in W. I., April 22nd, 1800, in 18th year. Elizabeth, widow of Captain Josiah, died May 13th, 1815, aged 57 years."

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227. PETER[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., November 25th, 1737; he lived at Yarmouth, Mass., where he was Justice of the Peace; he died at Yarmouth, September 21st (or 27th), 1802, and was buried there in old graveyard; gravestone, which states he died September 27th, while Family Bible and Town Records say he died September 21st. He married at Yarmouth (that part now called Dennis), January 17th, 1765, to Betty Howes; born at Yarmouth (now Dennis), June 4th, 1740; died at Yarmouth, July 28th, 1820, aged 80 (July 27th, Town Records), and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of James Howes (born March 1st, 1710-11; married September 19th, 1734), and Lydia (Hall) Howes of Yarmouth (now Dennis), Mass. Lydia (Hall) Howes, after the death of her first husband, married, second, to Samuel Matthews.

Children: 10 (Thacher), 8 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

754 i. Samuel,[7] born January 27th, 1766; died July 4th (or 6th), 1766, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

+755 ii. Thankful,[7] born March 26th, 1768; died December 2nd, 1849; married Isaac Gorham Hedge.

+756 iii. James,[7] born May 22nd, 1771; died ——; married Achsah Handy.

757 iv. Peter, 1st,[7] born May 19th, 1772; died March 19th, 1773, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

+758 v. Peter, 2nd,[7] born June 17th, 1774; died September 20th, 1853; married, first, Lydia Marston; married, second, Anna Davis.

759 vi. Henry, 1st,[7] born May 31st, 1775; died March 20th, 1775-6, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

760 vii. Henry, 2nd,[7] born February 13th, 1777; died August 26th, 1777, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

+761 viii. Henry, 3rd,[7] born July 4th, 1778; died July 27th (or 30th), 1823; married Elizabeth Gray.

762 ix. Betsey Hawes,[7] born July 11th, 1780; died July 16th, 1780, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

+763 x. Lewis,[7] born September 7th (or 11th), 1781; died September 11th, 1825; married Sally Hallet.

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228. TEMPERANCE[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., February 22nd (or 25th), 1739-40; died ——, 1805, at ——; married August 26th, 1763, at ——, to John Hedge.

Children: 7 (Hedge), 5 sons and 2 daughters.

764 i. John, 1st,[7] born ——; died ——, young.

765 ii. John, 2nd,[7] born ——; died ——, young.

766 iii. John, 3rd,[7] born ——; died ——, young.

767 iv. Temperance,[7] born ——; died ——; married Hon. Silas Lee, born July 3rd, 1760, at ——; died May 1st, 1814, at Wiscassett, Maine, and was buried there in private ground. He was H. C., 1784; he resided at Biddeford, Maine, until 1788, thence removed to Pownalborough (now Wiscassett), Maine; he was a lawyer, Judge, Rep. to G. C., Rep. to U. S. Congress; U. S. District Attorney; Justice of the Peace. He was a son of Joseph Lee (born June 16th, 1716; died April 10th, 1747, at Concord, Mass.; married December 6th, 1739), and Lucy (Jones) Lee (born June 11th, 1717;

died January 10th, 1806; daughter of Samuel and Ruth (——) Jones, of Concord, Mass.), of Concord, Mass.

Children: None.

768 v. James,[7] born ——; died ——, young.

769 vi. Daniel,[7] born ——; died ——; married Mehitable Vincent.

Children: 3 (Hedge), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

1. John,[8] born ——; died ——; married Abigail Sears.
2. Lucy Lee,[8] born ——; died ——; married Rufus King Porter of Machais, Maine; 1 son.
3. Daniel,[8] born ——; died ——; married Chloe Crowell.

770 vii. Lucy,[7] born ——; died ——; married Daniel Howes, of Dennis, Mass.

Children: 5 (Howes), daughters.

1. Temperance,[8] born ——; died ——; married Asa Hamblin.
2. Sarah,[8] born ——; died ——; married Zachariah Howes.
3. Lucy, 1st,[8] born ——; died ——, young.
4. Lucy, 2nd,[8] born ——; died ——; married Joseph Nye.
5. Mary Lee,[8] born ——; died ——; married Jonathan Fish.

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233 SARAH[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., June 5th, 1749; died Yarmouth, January 28th, 1808 (or 1809), and was buried there in Old Cemetery, gravestone; she married ——, at Yarmouth, to Capt. Isaac Gorham (No. 855), born ——, 1751 (see age at and date of death), at Yarmouth; died July 11th, 1814, in his 63rd year, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He was a son of Samuel Gorham (married April 20th, 1747), and Abigail[6] (Hallett) Gorham (No. 313), (born June 15th, 1727; died April 15th, 1790), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: None.

Captain Isaac[7] Gorham married 2nd —— (after January 28th, 1808), at Yarmouth, Mass., to Elizabeth (Hallett) Crowell (widow of Prince Crowell, who died at Yarmouth, March 21st, 1807), born February 23rd, 1769, at Yarmouth; died March 26th, 1866, aged 97, at Yarmouth. She was a

daughter of Deacon Isaac Hallett (born August 24th, 1742; died October 5th, 1814), and Elizabeth (Eldridge) Hallett (died March 1st, 1831, aged 86) of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 1 (Gorham), son.

770½ i. Isaac,[8] born ——, 1813; died ——.

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235. HON. GEORGE[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, April 12th, 1754; he lived at Biddeford, Maine, where he was a lawyer, judge and Representative to the U. S. Congress; he died at Biddeford, Maine, April 6th, 1824, aged 70 years, less 6 days and was buried there in 2nd Cong. Church Burying-ground. He married at Weston, Middlesex Co., Mass., July 20th (or 21st), 1784 (int. pub. June 20th, 1784), to Sarah Savage, born Boston, Mass., June 27th, 1760; died at Saco, York Co., Maine, May ——, 1843, and was buried at Biddeford, Maine, by side of her husband. She was a daughter of Samuel Phillips Savage, Esq. (born Boston, Mass., April 27th, 1718), and his 1st wife Sarah (Tyler) Savage of Weston, Mass., whom he married at Boston, November 11th, 1742. Samuel Phillips Savage of Weston, Mass., married 2nd at Boston, December 21st, 1767, to Bathsheba Johnston. Samuel Phillips Savage was a son of Arthur and Faith (Phillips) Savage of Boston, Mass., who were married at Boston, Mass., June 27th, 1710. Sarah Tyler, his first wife, was a daughter of William and Sarah (Royall) Tyler of Boston, who were married at Boston, December 25th, 1710.

Children: 10 (Thacher), 5 sons and 5 daughters.

+771 i. Samuel Phillips Savage,[7] born Yarmouth, Mass., April 23rd, 1785; died November 5th, 1842, at Mobile, Ala.; married Jane Cooper De Metris Savage.

+772 ii. Sarah Bigelow,[7] b. Biddeford, Maine, April 3rd, 1787; died ——, 1827, at Andover, N. H.; married Joseph Adams.

+773 iii. George,[7] born at Biddeford, Maine, September 7th, 1790 (or September 5, 1791); died June 12th, 1857; married, 1st, Lucy Bigelow; married, 2nd, Lucy Miranda Bancroft.

+774 iv. Lucy Savage,[7] born Biddeford, Maine, May 20th, 1792; died August 30th, 1820; married Abner Sawyer.

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+775 v. Henry Savage,[7] born Biddeford, Maine, June 25th, 1794; died May 25th, 1866; married Elizabeth Haven Wardrobe.

+776 vi. Lewis,[7] born Biddeford, Maine (probably), January 16th, 1796; died ——, 1830; married Mary Goodrich.

+777 vii. Anna Lewis,[7] born Saco, Maine, December 24th, 1797; died November 15th, 1884; married Captain Charles Tyler Savage.

+778 viii. Josiah,[7] born at Biddeford, Maine, July 30th, 1799 (or 1800); died January 25th, 1836; married Jane Scammon.

779 ix. Nancy Bigelow,[7] born May 20th, 1801, at Biddeford, Maine; died February 25th (or 26th), 1880, at Akron, Ohio. Not married.

+780 x. Elizabeth Jones,[7] born Biddeford, Maine, February 25th, 1806; died September 23rd, 1880; married John Tarbox Balch.

Hon. George[6] Thacher graduated at Harvard College in 1776; while there he was associated with King, Gore, Sewall, Dawes and other distinguished men, who throughout their lives retained for him sentiments of affection and attachment. Having prepared himself for the profession of law, he began the practice of it at Biddeford, Maine, and was for many years a practitioner. Before the adoption of the Federal Constitution, he was chosen by the Members of the Legislature as a delegate to Congress in 1788; and thereafter from 1789 till 1801 he was a member of the House of Representatives; and at the latter date he resigned his seat and accepted the appointment as Associate Judge of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, where he remained on the Bench for more than twenty (20) years, resigning in February, 1824. While in Congress he was by no means an undistinguished member. The debates of that period will show that he took active part in all the important measures of the time, and his speeches will be found to contain, in the midst of frequent irony and some sharp satire, much useful information and sound argument. His opponents often cowered under the lashes of wit and ridicule which he bestowed upon what he thought was hollow pretence of patriotism; but such was the universal opinion of the goodness of his heart and honesty of his views, that no one felt any anger or resentment, except in one memorable instance, in which his independent and manly conduct did more towards bringing the custom of duelling into contempt, than anything which had occurred in Congress before that time or has occurred since. It is said that while he was in Congress a bill was introduced to have the eagle imprinted on the American coins; he opposed the bill, saying, "The eagle is a royal bird, not suitable for our democracy, but the figure of a goose would be very proper to be stamped upon the dollar, in which case the goslings would be appropriate for the dimes." For this speech he

was challenged by the introducer of the bill. He replied to the second who brought the challenge, that he would write a note consulting Mrs. Thacher on the subject, and that in the meantime the challenger might mark his size upon the wall and fire at it with a pistol; and if he hit it he would acknowledge that he was shot. Thus ended the matter. He refused to fight, and instead of sinking in the opinion even of fighting men, overwhelmed his antagonist with confusion.

On the Bench of the Supreme Court Judge Thacher was a faithful and upright public servant. His mind was well stored with legal principles, and his strong memory enabled him to apply them with great accuracy to the questions which arose. His associates of the bench were often heard to say that, in their consultations upon cases argued, his discriminating power, technical knowledge, and recollection of old cases not reported had been invaluable to them. His integrity, independence, impartiality and fairness have been unsurpassed by none who have adorned the seat of justice. But it is in his private life, among his friends, and in the midst of his family that we look for those blemishes or virtues which exhibit the real features of moral deformity or beauty that make up the character of the man. His heart was most disinterestedly benevolent and kind: all human beings were his friends and brothers. He either could not see faults or he would not acknowledge them. Even the poor criminals at the bar had sometimes more of his compassion than suited the stern demands of justice. He had a vein of wit and humor which irresistibly impelled him to put into ludicrous shapes the arguments and opinions of those with whom he entered into a war of words; but his heart never took sides in these struggles; and the first appearance of wounded feeling would blunt his weapons and make him give the field to his adversary. In his domestic relations, he had no faults, unless an excess of kindness and indulgence be one. He lived a life of patriarchal simplicity. Surrounded by his sons and daughters and their children, and sharing the government of his family upon equal terms with a most exemplary wife, his humble dwelling was the abode of peace, love and benevolence. It was also the scene of the most unlimited frugal hospitality, where every human face was received with welcome.

Judge Thacher was a man of great and varied reading; and was particularly versed in theological and polemic controversies. These subjects were frequently the subject of his conversation and writings; and his particular friends knew that he was a sincere believer, in the great doctrines of Christianity, and in immortality brought to light by Jesus Christ, and in a future state of retribution. He laughed at the disputes that prevailed in the Christian Church, and perhaps had some peculiar notions,—but he was a Christian. It is enough to say that he was a member of a Christian Church, for no particle of hypocrisy entered into his composition. He was a practical Christian; and his whole life would bear the test of the gospel, as much as the life of any of those who doubted his

faith. His life was a happy one; he wanted nothing but friends, comfort and family love; and he was rich in all of these. He never arrived at accumulating property. He lived for others more than for himself. He died in the humble cottage endeared to him by forty years of familiarity, where everything was the work of his own hands, with wife of his youth to soothe his last moments, and his numerous children to receive his parting blessing. He departed in peace with the world, leaving no enemy behind him and many friends who dwell upon his memory with affection and delight. Eccentricities he had, it is true, but they were innocent, sportive and amusing. No one who had occasion to consult his heart ever found it erring or trifling; and it may be added that no man lives who, with such narrow means, has bestowed more upon the unfortunate.

If upon any subject Judge Thacher devoted his energy with enthusiastic ardor, it was upon tracing the genealogy of his ancestry from the earliest period of their emigration to this country. No man could delight more in the contemplation of the characters and peculiar circumstances of his progenitors. He had with utmost industry collected materials and formed a correct genealogical tree with all its collateral expanding branches from the original stock, the first Antony Thacher; having acquired a perfect knowledge of every family and every individual bearing the name down to the year 1816; and we (D. W. Allen, author of *Thacher Genealogy*), have availed ourselves of his collection in composing the following sketches.

The compiler of these articles, almost 100 years after the death of Judge Thacher, wishes here to record the appreciation that he has experienced of Judge Thacher's genealogical researches. What has ever become of the original manuscript of the Judge the compiler of these articles has never been able to ascertain; but, through the courtesy of George Winslow Thacher, Esq., of Yarmouthport, Mass., the compiler became possessed of a copy of the original manuscript, enriched by many additions thereto of more recent date made as the result of recent study of the family by Mr. George W. Thacher, which copy is now among the collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. To this work and to the personal assistance of Mr. George W. Thacher, the compiler has been greatly indebted in his task of elaborating the records of the descendants of Antony^2 Thacher. The Thacher family at large owe a debt of gratitude to the memory of Judge Thacher for the family record he left to posterity and we take pleasure in here acknowledging that debt, and recognizing also the aid which the researches of Mr. George W. Thacher have been to us.

As an evidence of the strong love that Judge Thacher had for all those of his blood and also of his broad-minded Christian spirit, I will here quote an extract from remarks made by him in his genealogical manuscript concerning the descendants of Judah^3 Thacher (son of Antony^2), of which branch of the family he was unable in his time to secure but a partial record, he says:—"Should

I meet any of them, I shall give them the feelings of a brother; I feel the greatest respect for the blood of Antony; the smallest subdivision of it by inter-marriages with other families, or the many intervening descents it may have passed through, when ascertained, will render the person dear to me:—full-blooded or half-blooded, legitimate or illegitimate, will make no difference in the warmth of my affection towards the object. No descendant from Abraham, and I believe in the restoration of Israel, will be more gratified in meeting one of the long dispersed ten tribes of Israel, than I shall be at finding some of the descendants of Antony through his children Judah and Bethiah."

From the diary of George Washington, published in the *N. Y. Genealogical and Biographical Record,* we see that Hon. George[6] Thacher dined with Washington in New York City on January 7th, 1790, and on March 18th, 1790.

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Miss Lucy B. Day, one of his descendants.
Wm. Henry Savage, one of his descendants.
Mrs. G. S. Carpenter, one of his descendants.

236. COL. THOMAS[6] THACHER (Lieut. Peter,[5] Hon. Peter,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., January 20th, 1757; he lived at Yarmouth, where he was a soldier, a Selectman from 1789, for 15 years, postmaster of Yarmouth, and school teacher, and Justice of the Peace; he died at Yarmouth, February 24th, 1806-7, aged 50, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. He married at Barnstable, Mass., January 11th, 1787, to Mary Churchill, born at Barnstable, Mass., ——, 1757; baptized there January 8th, 1758; died at Yarmouth, Mass., November 24th, 1841, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Lieut. James Churchill (born December 30th, 1726, at Middleboro, Mass.), and Mary (Cobb) Gorham-Churchill (born June 14th, 1721; died aged 92, daughter of Gershom and Hannah (Davis) Cobb, and widow of Captain Isaac Gorham), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 6 (Thacher), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

781 i. Anner Lewis,[7] born December 2nd, 1787 (or December 3rd, 1788); died February 26th, 1851, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married.

782 ii. Polly Churchill,[7] born April 28th (or 29th), 1791; died April 25th, 1826, at Yarmouth, and was buried in Old Cemetery; gravestone. Not married.

783 iii. Thomas, 1st,[7] born December 27th (or 29th), 1793; died May 11th, 1795, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone, "aged 16mo., 15 days."

+784 iv. Thomas, 2nd,[7] born July 25th, 1795; died March 3rd (or 11th), 1863; married Caroline Billings.

+785 v. George Churchill,[7] born December 30th, 1796; died October 21st, 1856; married Maria Willis Howard.

786 vi. Sally,[7] born May 13th, 1801; died July 15th (or 16th), 1802, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone says "died July 16th, 1802, aged 14mo."

Col. Thomas[6] Thacher served as a private and Sergeant in Captain Joseph Griffith's Co. of Col. John Jacob's Regiment in the Revolutionary War. He was Adjutant and subsequently Colonel of the 1st Regiment of the Barnstable County Brigade of Militia. He was the first Postmaster of Yarmouth in 1794 and a Selectman for 15 years from 1789. In no capacity, however, were his services more acceptable than in that of schoolmaster, which position he held in Yarmouth for many years. In an autograph letter of his, still extant, written November 23rd, 1791, to "Bro. Howes," he thus expresses himself:—"The fatted calf is to be killed to-morrow. If you will take Aunt Tempe and come up and dine with me, I believe you will receive pleasure enough to balance the time and expense in coming."

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238. ANNA[6] PADDOCK (Rebecca[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., November 2nd, 1718; died ——, at ——; married at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Wm. Cooper, August 25th, 1736, to Benjamin Hawes, born Chatham, Mass., October 13th, 1710; died ——, at ——; he lived at Boston, Mass. He was a son of Ebenezer and Sarah (——) Hawes of Yarmouth, Monomoy and Chatham, Mass.

Child: 1 (Hawes), son.

787 i. Benjamin,[7] born ——; baptized March 18th, 1739.

A Benjamin Hawes and Sarah Salter were married in Boston by Rev. Joseph Sewall, D. D., on September 10th, 1741. It is pos-

sible that Anna[6] (Hannah) Paddock Hawes, 1st wife of Benjamin Hawes, died at the birth of her child, Benjamin[7] Hawes (or soon thereafter), and that her husband married a second time as above to Sarah Salter. This is merely a suggestion that I have not succeeded in verifying.

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243. MAJOR ADINO[6] PADDOCK (Rebecca[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, March 14th, 1727-8; baptized 1st church Harwich, March 31st, 1728; he lived successively at Yarmouth and Boston, Mass., Halifax, N. S., and the Isle of Jersey. He was a coach and carriage builder; he died on the Isle of Jersey, English Channel, March 25th, 1804, and was probably buried there. He married at Boston, Mass., June 22nd, 1749, to Lydia Snelling, born Boston, October 20th, 1729; died on the Isle of Jersey, ——, 1781, aged 51; and was probably buried there. She was a daughter of Robert and Lydia (Dexter) Snelling, of Boston, Mass.

Children: 13 (Paddock), 9 of whom died in infancy and are not mentioned here, and 2 sons and 2 daughters.

788 i. John,[7] born ——; died July 1st, 1773; he was a student at Harvard College and was drowned while bathing in the Charles River. Not married.

789 ii. Adino,[7] born ——, 1759, at Boston; died ——, 1817, aged 58; married Margaret Ross.

790 iii. Elizabeth,[7] born ——; died ——.

791 iv. Rebecca,[7] born ——; died ——.

Major Adino[6] Paddock's father died when he was 4 years of age, and his mother soon thereafter removed to Boston, where she is recorded as a communicant in the Brattle Street Church on December 5th, 1736, as from "East Yarmouth Church."

He was a coach and carriage builder on Common, now Tremont Street, between School and Winter Streets, where is now Bumstead Place, then called Long Acre.

The "Paddock Elms" in front of the old "Granary" burying-ground, were set out and cared for by him (they were brought from England and kept for a time in a nursery in Milton), and it was known as "Paddock's Walk" or "Row."

In 1763, he set up a public coach, called the "Burling Coach." He was a member of Engine Co. No. 7, from 1758 to 1763, and a Fire Warden, 1764 to 1767, and served often on committees. In 1774 he was listed as keeping a cow.

He commanded the companies of Artillery in Boston, with the rank of Major, and two of the four brass cannons purchased by order of the Legislature were kept in a gun-house corner of West Street, near Major Paddock's dwelling. As he was heard to say

that he designed to surrender the two pieces to General Gage, a party who desired a different use for them, dismounted them and leaving the carriages, took the cannons away.

In March, 1776, Major Paddock embarked for Halifax, N. S., and to the Royal Army, accompanied by his wife, and by Adino, Elizabeth and Rebecca, his surviving children; and on June of that year, the whole family, his son Adino excepted, sailed for England. In 1778 he was proscribed and banished. From 1781 until his decease he resided on the Isle of Jersey; and for several years held the office of Inspector of Artillery Stores, with the rank of Captain. He received partial recompense for his losses as a Loyalist. The following is a copy of an advertisement inserted by him in a Boston paper:—

"Adino Paddock, Chaise-maker, near the Granary, has second-hand Chaises to sell: and as they take up much storage he will sell them under value. A Post Chariot hanging on steel springs, having been lately built and finished by the subscriber, and approved by the best Judges in Town.

All Gentlemens are hereby notify'd that I will undertake to finish a Coach, Chariot or other Carriage, equal in fashion to the latest Models from England, at the Prime cost there, including one half the freight.

ADINO PADDOCK, April 13, 1761."

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244. ENOCH[6] PADDOCK (Rebecca[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., March 18th, 1728-9. He lived at Yarmouth and Boston, Mass., and Norwalk, Conn. He married ——, at Norwalk, Conn., to Martha Dickinson, born at Norwalk, Conn., March 8th, 1734-5; died at Norwalk, Conn., July 15th, 1752, "in her 18th year," and was buried in Norwalk in 1st Cemetery; gravestone. She was a daughter of Rev. Moses Dickinson (born at Springfield, December 12th, 1695; died Norwalk, Conn., May 1st, 1778, in 83rd year of his age and 51st year of his ministry; gravestone), and his first wife Martha (——) Dickinson (died Norwalk, Conn., December 15th, 1755, aged 62, gravestone), of Norwalk, Conn., where he was pastor of the Congregational Church.

Children: None that are known of.

In the First Cemetery, Norwalk, Conn., there is a gravestone thus inscribed (Brown stone):—"Mrs. Martha Paddock, wife of Mr. Enoch Paddock and Daughter of ye Reverend Mr. Moses Dickinson, who died July 15th, 1752, in ye 18th year of her age."

Colonial Records of Conn., Vol. XIV, p. 40, October, 1772, states that Enoch Paddock of Norwalk brings action against Elijah Negus of Branford.

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248. JOSHUA[6] SEARS (Mary[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich (Now Brewster), Mass., May 15th, 1724; died ——, at ——; he lived at Norwalk, Conn., and North Salem (formerly "Oblong"), Westchester Co., N. Y. He married ——, at ——, to Rachel Marvin, born Norwalk, Conn., March 27th, 1728-9; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of Sergeant John Marvin (born Norwalk, Conn., September 2nd, 1678; died Sharon, Conn., February 9th, 1774; married April 27th, 1721), and Rachel (St. John) Marvin (died ——, at Sharon, Conn.), of Sharon, Conn. Rachel (Marvin) Sears married, 2nd, Joshua Holley.

Children: 4 (Sears), 3 sons and 1 daughter.

792 i. Enoch.[7]
793 ii. Isaac M.[7]
794 iii. Hannah.[7]
795 iv. Joshua,[7] born January 8th, 1757; died ——; married Anna Miles. 7 children.

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249. NATHANIEL[6] SEARS (Mary[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich (now Brewster, Mass., ——; baptized there April 20th (or 26th), 1725; he lived at Norwalk, Conn., and died there December 19th, 1752, "in 22nd year," and was buried in Pine Island Cemetery, Norwalk; gravestone. He married at Norwalk, Conn., ——, 1751, to Ruth Raymond, born Norwalk, Conn., 1732; died at Norwalk, Conn., ——; buried in St. Paul's Churchyard, Norwalk. She was a daughter of Samuel Raymond (born May 7th, 1699); and his 2nd wife Mary (Kitto) Raymond of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: 2 (Sears), sons, both born at Norwalk, Conn.

796 i. Nathaniel,[7] born ——; died ——, 1785, about in the West Indies.
797 ii. Thacher,[7] born ——, 1752; died July 9th, 1819; married, first, Rebecca Smith; married, second, Abigail Spurr. He was a Loyalist and removed to New Brunswick, N. S., and settled there and died there; children by first marriage 11, and by second marriage 4.

Ruth (Raymond) Sears, widow of Nathaniel[6] Sears, married, second, at Norwalk, Conn., November ——, 1755, to Ebenezer

Church, as his second wife (his first wife was Susanna Fitch, whom he married January —, 1746, and who died October 7th, 1747), and by this second marriage she had 10 (Church) children. *Not in Thacher line.*

Nathaniel[6] Sears removed to Norwalk, Conn. (from Brewster, Mass.), with his father and married and died in Norwalk and was buried in Pine Island Cemetery. On January 23rd, 1753, Ruth Sears and Josiah Sears were appointed administrators on the estate of Nathaniel[6] Sears; and Ruth Sears was appointed guardian of her two minor children, Nathaniel[7] and Thacher[7] Sears. The inventory of the estate of Nathaniel[6] Sears was dated January 8th, 1753, and was approved April 3rd, 1753; amount over £2000. On April 1st, 1765, Nathaniel[7] Sears made choice of Ebenezer Church (his step-father) as his guardian.

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Hall's Norwalk, p. 230.

251. COL. ISAAC[6] SEARS (Mary[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., ——, 1730; baptized there July 12th, 1730. He was a sea captain and trader, a Privateer, Merchant, Member of Trinity Church Corporation and a Vestryman in that church. A full sketch of his life may be seen in *Samuel P. May's Sears Genealogy.* He lived successively in Norwalk, Conn., New York City, Boston, Mass., and again in New York City. He died in Canton, China, October 28th, 1786, "in his 57th year," and was buried on French Island in Canton Harbor; gravestone. He married at Trinity Church, New York City, on January 22nd, 1752, to Sarah Drake (of New York City); she was a daughter of Jasper Drake (who kept a tavern in Beekman Street, the *rendezvous* of the "Liberty Boys"), and Esther (——) Drake, of New York City.

Children: 11 (Sears), all probably born in New York City.

798 i. (A son[7]), born ——, 1759; died July 20th, 1766, on Sunday, aged 7 years; he was drowned in Beekman Slip, N. Y. Harbor.

799 ii. Hester,[7] born ——; died ——; married by license on February 14th, 1774, at Trinity Church, N. Y. City, to Paschal Nelson Smith.

800 iii. Mary,[7] born ——; died ——; married by license June 15th, 1778, at Trinity Church, N. Y. City, to Thomas Hamilton.

801 iv. John,[7] born ——; died ——; married by license October 24th, 1780, at Trinity Church, N. Y. City, to Sarah Halstead.

802 v. Maria,[7] born ——; died ——; married by license June 21st, 1785, at Trinity Church, N. Y. City, to Peregrine Bourdieu.

803 vi. Isaac,[7] born ——, 1770; died December 16th, 1794, at Martinique, W. I.; he was at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass.; entered as from Boston in 1779, aged 9; "stayed there only one term."

804 vii. Rebecca,[7] born ——, 1771; died February 1st, 1813; married May 20th, 1790, at Trinity Church, N. Y. City, by Rev. Dr. Provoost, to Samuel Sterett.

805 viii. Jasper,[7] born ——, 1772; died ——; he was at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., in 1779, aged 7; "stayed there one term."

806 ix. ——.[7]

807 x. ——.[7]

808 xi. ——.[7]

Sarah Drake, the wife of Col. Isaac[6] Sears, was a granddaughter of Joseph Drake of Eastchester, N. Y., who was a son of Samuel Drake of Fairfield, Conn.

AUTHORITY.

Samuel P. May's Sears Genealogy, pp. 73, 113-118, and personal notes by the author of said work.

252. PHEBE[6] Sears (Mary[5] Thacher, Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Harwich (now Brewster), Mass., ——; baptized there April 8th, 1733; died at Norwalk, Conn., December 8th, 1807, and was buried in St. Paul's churchyard; gravestone. She married, first, ——, at ——, to Antony Squire of Wilton, Fairfield Co., Conn., born ——; died ——. She married, second, at Wilton, Conn., November 24th, 1774, to Thaddeus Hubbell of Wilton, Conn. (as his second wife), born ——, 1726; died April 8th, 1806, aged 80, at Wilton, Conn., and was buried there. He was a son of Nathan Hubbell (born Fairfield, Conn., ——, 1699; died Wilton, Conn., ——, 1761, will recorded March 3rd, 1761), of Wilton (formerly part of Norwalk), Conn. Thaddeus Hubbell married, first, at Wilton, Conn., December 26th, 1753 (or 1752), to Ruth Betts, born at Norwalk, Conn., October 6th, 1733; died at Wilton, Conn., May 16th, 1773, and was buried there. She was a daughter of Nathan and Mary (Belden) Betts, of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: first marriage 6 (Squire), 3 sons and 3 daughters.

809 i. Anne,[7] born ——.

810 ii. Phebe,[7] born ——.

811 iii. Elizabeth,[7] born ——.

812 iv. Isaac,[7] born ——.

813 v. Anthony,[7] born ——.

814. vi. Selah,[7] born ——; died ——; married April 8th, 1778, at Wilton, to Hannah Abbott.

Children: second marriage 2 (Hubbell), 1 son and 1 daughter.

815 vii. Polly,[7] born ——.
816 viii. Sears,[7] born ——.

Children of Thaddeus Hubbell, by his first marriage. He is said at time of his marriage to the widow of Antony Squire to have been a "widower with a large family," amongst these I have ascertained the following 2 children (sons): *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Solomon Hubbell, born ——, 1754.
2. Zadock Hubbell, born ——, 1756; died February 1st, 1813, at Wilton, Conn.; married October 22 (or 23), 1778, to Mary Hubbell.

Thaddeus Hubbell was appointed a member of the Committee of Enlistment, March 12th, 1777, at Norwalk, Conn. (see Hall's *Norwalk,* p. 132).

Phebe[6] Sears' home with both of her husbands (Squire and Hubbell) was at Wilton. Left a widow a second time, she returned to Norwalk and lived with her son Selah Squire until her death, December 8th, 1807. She was buried in St. Paul's Churchyard, in the rear of the church, a white stone marking her grave. Family tradition tells of her strong character, her ability and kindness, and her tact in managing three (3) sets of children. She is said to have possessed every trait that endeared her as a wife, mother and friend.

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Early Conn. Marriages, Vol. III, p. 67.
Selleck's Norwalk, p. 376.
Hubbell Genealogy, pp. 84, 427, 431, 432.
Hall's Norwalk, pp. 132, 277.

255. DESIRE[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., April 15th, 1722; died ——; married June 2nd, 1743, at ——, to Captain William Taylor, born Yarmouth (or Barnstable), Mass., February 23rd, 1712-13; he lived at Barnstable, one mile west of Yarmouth line; he died ——, at Barnstable. He was a son of Captain Seth and Susannah (Sturgis) Taylor.

Children: 7 (Taylor), 3 sons and 4 daughters.

+817 i. Phebe,[7] born ——, 1744; died November 7th, 1775, aged 31; married Sturgis Gorham.
818. ii. Lucy,[7] born ——; died ——. She was a consumptive and died early; married William Paine.
819. iii. William,[7] born ——; died ——; married a lady in Baltimore, Md.
+820 iv. Desire,[7] born ——, 1756; died December 15th. 1786; married Sturgis Gorham as his second wife,
+821 v. John,[7] born ——; died ——; married Lucia Watson.

822 vi. Thacher,[7] born ——; died ——.
+823 vii. Abigail (Nabby),[7] born ——; died September 19th, 1820; married Edward Gorham.

Captain William Taylor was born in a house about one-quarter mile west of Whitebrook, but lived and died in Barnstable, about a mile west of Yarmouth line, in a house afterwards occupied by his youngest daughter, who married Edward Gorham.

AUTHORITIES.

Allen's Thacher Genealogy, p. 41.
Otis' Barnstable Families, Vol. I, p. 441.
Hon. George Thacher MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*.

258. JOHN[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., September 1st, 1730; died ——, at ——; he is not mentioned in his father's will under date of June 11th, 1770, and is supposed to have been dead on that date without issue. I have been unable to determine definitely that he was dead on the date of his father's will nor am I aware of where he died or when or whether he married and had children. From Rev. Bela Hubbard's diary we obtain the following extract. (Bela Hubbard was rector of Trinity P. E. Church, New Haven, Conn.): "Baptized 1789—Anna Thacher, aged 19 years, wife of John Thacher, Jr., of Stratford, Conn., at Allingtown." At this date, 1789, there was a John[6] Thacher (Captain Josiah[5]), No. 270, living in Stratford, Conn. (he was my great-grandfather), but I never heard that he had a son John and at present writing I do not believe that he had such a son John. Who, then, was the John, Jr., of Stratford, who married Anna ——. It is possible that he was the above John[6] Thacher (Elisha[5]), No. 258, and that he was living in Stratford, Conn., at that time. If so, he was a cousin of John[6] Thacher, No. 270, and may have been known as John, Jr., to distinguish him from John[6] Thacher, No. 270. From this John Thacher, Jr., who married Anna ——, has sprung a group of New Haven Thachers who labor under the impression that they are descendants of John[6] Thacher, No. 270, of Stratford, Conn., probably led to believe so from the above quoted extract from Rev. Bela Hubbard's diary. In the *Hughes Family*, by W. P. Hughes, this John Thacher, Jr., who married Anna ——, is said to have come from Maine; but I am unaware of any John Thacher unaccounted for from Maine. The statement that he came from Maine, may be an error, and he may have been from Massachusetts and possibly the above John[6] Thacher, No. 258. And it is barely possible that he may have been a son of John[6] Thacher, No. 270, of whom I have never before obtained any record. I make these remarks here as a guide to future Thacher genealogists who may be able to clear this point up satisfactorily. I do not include a record of the New Haven Thachers here, who sprung

from this John Thacher, Jr., of Stratford, by his wife Anna ——, because I am in doubt as to what line they belong; but I have a quite complete record of his descendants.

AUTHORITIES.

Hughes Family, by W. P. Hughes, p. 66.
Allen's Thacher Genealogy, p. 41.

259. MARY[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., March 7th, 1731-2; died ——, previous to 1764, at ——; married at Barnstable, Mass., December 21st, 1752, to Ebenezer Gorham, Jr., of Barnstable, Mass., born Barnstable, August 7th, 1729, baptized there August 24th, 1729; died ——, 1772, about; lost at sea. He was a son of Ebenezer Gorham (born February 14th, 1695; died November 16th, 1776; married September 22nd, 1727), and Temperance (Hawes) Gorham (born ——, 1705, died February 21st, 1767), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: None.

Ebenezer Gorham married, second, ——, 1764, to Hope Carver of Plymouth, Mass., and on July 16th, 1767, to Hannah Hall, widow of Lot Hall of Yarmouth. Ebenezer Gorham seems to have had but one child, Hannah; and that child was by his third wife. Hannah, his widow, administered his estate, which was insolvent. Ebenezer Gorham was appointed guardian of the Lot Hall's children, viz:— Daniel, Lot, Urian and William.

AUTHORITIES.

Allen's Thacher Genealogy, p. 41.
Otis' Barnstable Families, Vol. I, pp. 431-2.

260. CAPTAIN ELISHA[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., May 8th, 1734; he was a sea captain and lived successively at Yarmouth and Barnstable; he died at Barnstable, January 14th, 1795, and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground, and his widow (second wife) administered his estate, February 13th, 1795. He married, first, —— at —— (int. Pub. Braintree, Mass., September 26th, 1756, Barnstable, Mass., October 23rd, 1756, and Yarmouth, Mass., October 23rd, 1756), to Abigail Webb, born at Braintree, Mass., December 23rd, 1730; died —— 1764, at ——. She was a daughter of Jonathan Webb (born Braintree, December 27th, 1697; died September 16th, 1784, aged 92), and Bathsheba (——) Webb (born ——, 1697; died November 22nd, 1776, aged 80) of Braintree, Mass. He married, second, ——, at ——, to Mary Given, of ——, Maryland, born ——, at ——; died —— (she was living in 1812, in the household of Mr. Endicott of Boston), at Boston, Mass.; her parentage is not known to me.

Children: first marriage, 1 (Thacher), daughter, born at Yarmouth or Barnstable.

824 i. Abigail Webb,[7] born ——; died a few years after marriage, int. marriage pub. at Boston, Mass., October 7th, 1793, to Thomas Hall; she is mentioned in publication as being of Berwick. Thomas Hall was a printer in Boston. Children: None.

Children, second marriage: None that are known of.

Hon. George[6] Thacher, No. 235, in his Manuscript genealogy, says:—"Captain Elisha Thacher and his wife I became acquainted with in the summer of 1775 (this, of course, refers to his second wife). They lived in a house owned by my brother Josiah in Yarmouth. There and at Barnstable they continued until the year 1780, at which time I left that part of the country. They lived in elegance and were generous to everybody. The poor had cause to bless them; the rich and affluent enjoyed their good things with them; and as often as I visited Yarmouth and Barnstable, those who remembered the days of "Seventy-five," ceased not to do justice to the benevolence and kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Thacher. Let me add that Mrs. Thacher, without ostentation, has always borne the character of a religious and pious woman. I have been acquainted with her about 40 years, during which time she has passed through prosperity and adversity. She has no relatives in this part of the country, and is now (1812) alive, a worthy and amiable woman; she is superintendent of the house of Mr. Endicott in Boston, who is a respectable merchant tailor and a descendant of Governor Endicott of the Old Province of Massachusetts, in a direct line."

Jonathan Webb was a tanner; he was a man of much respectability and good social standing. He lived in Braintree, Mass., north Precinct, now Quincy. He and the father of President Adams were of like standing; they were his neighbors, and were deacons in the 1st church. He had 10 children, of whom all but two (2) died in early childhood, of these two (2) only one (1), a daughter, entered into the married state, so that the name (Webb) in this line became extinct.

AUTHORITIES.

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Braintree, Mass., Vital Records.
Giles Memorial, p. 512.
Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*, pp. 161-2.
Drake's History of Boston, p. 717.

261. LUCRETIA[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, Mass., April 20th, 1737; died ——, at ——; married November 17th, 1763, at Barnstable, Mass., to Joseph Davis, born Barnstable, August 15th, 1733; died ——, at ——. He was a son of James Davis (born ——; died ——, 1745, about; married January 4th, 1727-8), and Thankful (Hinckley) Davis (born ——, 1707, about; died August 20th, 1745, aged 38), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 6 (Davis), 3 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Barnstable, Mass.

+825 i. Phebe,[7] born ——; died ——; married George Lewis[7] Gorham, No. 708, as his first wife; his second wife was her sister, Mary Lucretia[6] Davis, No. 828.

+826 ii. Rebecca,[7] born ——; died ——; married Job Gorham.

+827 iii. Elisha Thacher,[7] born ——; died ——; married Ruth Crocker Davis.

+828 iv. Mary Lucretia,[7] born ——, 1769; died April 27th, 1857; married (1) George Lewis[7] Gorham, No. 708, as his second wife, his first wife was her sister, Phebe[7] Davis, No. 825; she married, second, Joseph Hawes.

829 v. Joseph,[7] born ——; died ——; married Thankful Davis.

830 vi. Benjamin,[7] born ——; died ——; not married.

Joseph Davis, Sr., married a second time ——, at Barnstable, Mass., to Mary Bacon, born Barnstable, Mass., August 23rd, 1740; died ——, at ——. She was a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Freeman) Bacon, of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 3 (Davis), 2 sons and 1 daughter. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. John.
2. Lucretia.
3. Abner.

AUTHORITIES.

Allen's Thacher Genealogy, p. 41.
Otis' Barnstable Families, Vol. I, pp. 35-6-7, 283, 288.

263. ANTHONY[6] THACHER (Elisha,[5] Deacon Josiah,[5] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, Mass., June 28th, 1744; died at Barnstable, Mass., January 18th, 1806, "in the 63rd year of his age"; buried at Barnstable in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone; letters of administration were granted on his estate, May 13th, 1806. His intention of marriage was published in Barnstable, July 7th, 1770, date of marriage ——, to Elizabeth (Betsey) Taylor, born at ——; date of birth ——, 1740, about; see age at, and date of, death; died at Barnstable, August 6th, 1818, "in 78th year of her age," and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone.

Children: 3 (Thacher), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Barnstable.

831. i. Elisha,[7] born ——; died ——; married ——, and went to Virginia.

+832 ii. Phebe,[7] born May 7th, 1750; died August 20th (or 28th), 1846; married Edward Loring.

+833 iii. Elizabeth (Betsey),[7] born ——; died ——; married Joshua Hinckley.

In Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground, Barnstable, Mass., are to be found the graves of Anthony[6] Thacher and his wife with stones thus inscribed:—

"In Memory of Mr. Anthony Thacher; he died January 18th, 1806, in the 63rd year of his age."

"In Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Thacher, widow of Mr. Anthony Thacher. She died August 6th, 1818, in the 78th year of her age."

AUTHORITIES.

Allen's Thacher Genealogy, pp. 41, 52.
Hon. George Thacher MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

265. JOSIAH[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Norwalk, Conn., February 15th, 1728-9, "at about 5 o'clock, Saturday morning." He resided at Norwalk and died there Monday, March 9th, 1807, and was presumably buried there, but I have found no record of his gravestone. He married first at Norwalk, December 19th, 1751, to Mary Fitch, born at Norwalk, Conn., September 20th (14th or 17th), 1733; died at Norwalk, Conn., September 30th, 1776, and was presumably buried there, but I have no record of her gravestone. She was a daughter of the Colonial Governor of the Colony of Connecticut, Thomas Fitch (born ——, 1699; died July 18th, 1774, at Norwalk, Conn., aged "in 75th year," and buried in Norwalk, Conn.), by his wife Hannah (Hall) Fitch, whom he married September 4th, 1724. Hannah Hall, his wife, was daughter of Richard and Hannah (Mills) Hall of New Haven, Conn.; she was born ——; died ——. Gov. Thomas Fitch graduated Y. C. 1721.

Children: 5 (Thacher), 1 son and 4 daughters, all born at Norwalk, Conn.

+834 i. Mary,[7] born December 3rd, 1753 (or September 14th, 1753); died August 30th, 1796; married Peter Hendricks.

+835 ii. Hannah,[7] born May 15th, 1760; died October 30th, 1848; married Isaiah Betts.

+836 iii. Thomas Fitch,[7] born June 6th (or 16th), 1769; died October 9th, 1832; married Susannah Lockwood.

837 iv. Esther Ann, 1st,[7] born January 7th (or 26th), 1773; died March 15th, 1774, at Norwalk, Conn., and was probably buried there. I have no record of her gravestone.

CORRECTIONS:

Page 193, No. 326. Date of death of Fear[6] Thacher should read March 26th (or 28th).

Page 193, No. 327. John[6] Thacher's 1st wife was Hannah Bourne (not Bowne).

Page 197, 3 lines from bottom: Warham should read Wareham.

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838 v. Esther Ann, 2nd,[7] born April 19th, 1775; died September 16th, 1776, at Norwalk, Conn., and was probably buried there. I have no record of her gravestone.

Josiah[6] Thacher married a second time at Norwalk, Conn., December 3rd, 1785, to Wait Burwell (widow of —— Burwell, and mother of Samuel Burwell), born at ——, date ——; died at ——; date ——. Her parentage is unknown to me.

Children by second marriage: None that are known of.

AUTHORITIES.

Family Bible of Capt. Josiah[5] Thacher, of Norwalk, Conn.
Selleck's History of Norwalk, Conn., pp. 452-3.
Lockwood Genealogy, pp. 194.
Hall's History of Norwalk, pp. 206-7, 224-5.
Epitaphs in Norwalk Cemetery, by Van Hoosear.

266. ANN[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Norwalk, Conn., April 10th, 1731, "about two (2) o'clock Saturday afternoon"; died ——, 1805, at Lewisboro, Westchester Co., N. Y., and was buried there. She married at ——, date of marriage ——, to Isaac Hayes (the 3rd of the name), born ——, 1732, at ——. He resided at Compo, Conn., until 1780, and afterwards at Lewisboro, W. C. Co., N. Y.; he died September 26th, 1805, at Lewisboro, N. Y., and was buried there. He was a son of Isaac Hayes 2nd (born March 23rd, 1706; died ——; his was the first body buried in St. John's Cemetery, Lewisboro, N. Y.), and Margaret (——) Hayes, of Salem, Westchester Co., N. Y. Isaac Hayes 2nd was the son of Isaac Hayes 1st (born August 27th, 1682; died January 5th, 1711-12; married July 10th, 1701), and Elizabeth Sherwood, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Jackson) Sherwood, of Fairfield, Conn. (born ——; died ——), of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: 3 (Hayes), 1 son and 2 daughters.

+839 i. Margaret,[7] born ——, 1763; died May 31st, 1819; married John Lewis.

+840 ii. Anstrice,[7] born April 19th, 1767; died June 26th, 1807; married Peter Ketcham.

+841 iii. Thacher,[7] born ——, 1771; died February 27th, 1834; married Mary Weed.

AUTHORITIES.

Selleck's History of Norwalk, pp. 90, 452, 463-4.
Hall's History of Norwalk, p. 198.
Bolton's History of Westchester Co., N. Y., Vol. I, p. 436.
Family Bible of Capt. Josiah[5] Thacher of Norwalk, Conn.

267. MARY[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born September 14th, 1733,

"Friday, at 1 o'clock in the morning," at Norwalk, Conn., died ——. She was living as Mary Davis, August 23rd, 1783 (see Norwalk Land Records, Vol. XV, p. 210), at ——. She married, first, ——, at ——, to Stephen Davis of Norwalk, Conn., born ——; died ——, son of —— Davis and his wife —— (——) Davis. She married, second, at ——, date ——, to —— Hoyt, of Pound Ridge, Westchester Co., N. Y., born ——, at ——, died ——, at ——, son of —— Hoyt and his wife —— (——) Hoyt.

Children: first marriage (Davis).

I have been unable to ascertain whether she had any children by first marriage.

Children: second marriage (Hoyt).

I have been unable to ascertain whether she had any children by second marriage.

According to Selleck's *Norwalk,* p. 467, Mrs. Stephen Davis, daughter of Captain Josiah[5] Thacher, lived in Norwalk near her father's house, which was located where is now situated the rear of the car house of the Norwalk Street Railway Company.

AUTHORITIES.

Selleck's History of Norwalk, Conn., pp. 452, 467.

269. DANIEL[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Norwalk, Conn., June 29th, 1739, "on Friday;" he resided at Norwalk, Conn., and died there November 17th, 1776, "in 38th year of his age," and was probably buried there, but I have no record of his gravestone. He married (see note following this record) ——, at ——, to Mary Street, born ——, at ——; died March 4th, 1776, at ——. She was a daughter of Nathaniel Street (born January 19th, 1693; died September 24th, 1748, in 56th year; married November 25th, 1719), and Mary (Raymond) Street, his wife, daughter of John and Elizabeth (St. John) Raymond of Norwalk, Conn. (born March 5th, 1694; died March 7th, 1762, in her 67th year), of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: 3 (Thacher), sons, all born at Norwalk, Conn.

+842 i. Josiah,[7] born August —, 1764; died May 22nd, 1850; married Anna Reed.

+843 ii. Daniel Greenleaf,[7] born —, 1767; died May 16th, 1837; married Eunice Starr.

+844 iii. William,[7] born April 3rd, 1769; died August 2nd, 1856; married, first, Anna Munson; married, second, Martha Oakley.

From the Records of the County Clerk's Office, Fairfield, Conn., we obtain the following in regard to the estate of Daniel[6] Thacher:—

"Inventory of Estate dated, May 6th, 1782. Administrator's bond signed by Josiah Thacher, Eliphalet Lockwood and Nathan Jarvis, all of Norwalk, before Jonathan Sturges, Probate Judge, September 17th, 1780, witnesses Isaac Jarvis and Hezekiah Silliman. Order of sale granted of all of the inventoried estate July 21st, 1783, to Eliphalet Lockwood, Esqr., and Mr. Josiah Thacher, Administrators. The estate was insolvent and insufficient to pay debts. Court order signed by Left. Hezekiah Silliman, Clerk. Administrator's accounts accepted July 21st, 1783. The whole inventory delivered into Court amounted to £61.3-9, in addition to which there were 74 acres of land, which were "apprized" to the estate of Captain Josiah Thacher, deceased (father of Daniel[6] Thacher), amounting to £11.11-3. Total, £72.15-0. Administrator's account and account of sales again allowed August 6th, 1790. Total, £99.15-3.

NOTE:

As there seems to be some diversity of opinion as to whether the maiden name of Daniel[6] Thacher's wife was Mary Street or Mary Starr, I will here quote the various authorities on the subject. *Starr Genealogy*, by Frank Farnsworth Starr (Lenox Library), says p. 17: "Thomas Starr, b. April 10th, 1711; died May 14th, 1759, lived at Groton, Conn., in the Starr Homestead; he married Jerusha Street (daughter of Nicholas and Jerusha Street), b. ——, 1715; died July 6th, 1790, 'in her 75th year,' and had among other children, Mary Starr, born January 20th, 1740; died November 14th, 1741."

And according to this authority they had no other child named Mary; hence from this quotation we see that the *Starr Genealogy* differs from the *Street Genealogy* to be subsequently quoted. Pages 251-2, *Starr Genealogy*, says: "Eunice Starr (daughter of Lieut. Daniel and Lucy (Douglas) Starr of New London, Conn.), born February 28th, 1767; baptized March 15th, 1767; died September 17th, 1843; married October 30th, 1791, to Daniel Greenleaf Thatcher (son of Daniel and Mary (Street) Thatcher), born June —, 1765, at Norwalk, Conn., died May 16th, 1836, at New London, Conn. He was left an orphan at an early age; he went to New London and learned the hatter's trade and carried on a successful business for many years and died respected and beloved; he belonged to the Congregational Church."

We see here that the *Starr Genealogy* specifically states that Daniel Greenleaf Thacher's mother's maiden surname was *Street*. Selleck's *History of Norwalk, Conn.*, p. 453, states as follows:

"Daniel, son of Captain Josiah and Mary (Greenleaf) Thacher, married Mary, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Raymond) Street."

We therefore see that the *Starr Genealogy* and Selleck's *Norwalk* agree in the positive statement that Daniel[6] Thacher's wife's maiden surname was *Street*.

Hall's *History of Norwalk, Conn.*, p. 219, states that Nathaniel Street married on November 25, 1719, to Mary Raymond, daughter of Capt. John Raymond of Norwalk, and then gives a list of their children up to Ebenezer, born November 1st, 1735, and there ending, viz.:

1. Samuel Street, born October 13th, 1720.
2. Hannah Street, born September 8th, 1722.
3. Timothy Street, born December 1st, 1723.
4. John Street, born July 22nd, 1728.
5. Ebenezer Street, born November 1st, 1735.

It is to be noted that in this list of children of Nathaniel Street there is no mention of a child Mary Street who is said by Selleck's *Norwalk* to

have married Daniel[6] Thacher. Daniel[6] Thacher himself was born June 29th, 1739, and the list of Nathaniel Street's children ends with the one born in 1735. It is possible that this list of children of Nathaniel Street is incomplete and that a child Mary Street was born to Nathaniel Street, subsequent to the birth of Ebenezer in 1735 and hence of an age more suitable to become the wife of Daniel[6] Thacher.

The *Street Genealogy,* by Henry A. and Mary A. Street, Exeter, N. H., 1895, states as follows, viz.: pp. 9 and 19: "Nathaniel Street (son of Lieut. Samuel Street and his first wife Hannah Glover), born January 19th, 1693; died September 24th, 1748; married November 25th, 1719, to Mary Raymond (daughter of John and Elizabeth (St. John) Raymond), born March 15th, 1694; died March 7th, 1762. Nathaniel Street was a house and ship builder and resided at Norwalk, Conn., and both he and his wife are buried there in the old burying ground in East Norwalk.

Children:

1. Samuel Street, born October 13th, 1720; md. Elizabeth (probably) Raymond.
2. Hannah Street, born September 8th, 1722; md. Eliakim Raymond.
3. Thomas Street, born December 1st, 1723; md. Susannah Lockwood.
4. John Street, born July 22nd, 1728; md. Hannah Jarvis.
5. Ebenezer Street, born November 1st, 1735; md. Rachel ——."

It is seen that this list of children of Nathaniel Street agrees with that given by Hall's *Norwalk* (except that *Street Genealogy* gives 3rd child as Thomas while Hall's Norwalk gives 3rd child as Timothy), and that there is no mention of a Mary Street to become the wife of Daniel[6] Thacher.

Raymond Genealogy, pp. 4 and 6, state specifically as follows: "John Raymond, born September 9th, 1665; died April 12th, 1735; married May 7th, 1690, Elizabeth St. John (daughter of Samuel St. John), and had Mary Raymond, born March 5th, 1694, who married Nathaniel Street, November 25th, 1719.

St. John Genealogy states specifically as follows: "Elizabeth St. John (daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Hoyt) St. John), born at Norwalk, Conn., April —, 1673; d. ——; married March 7th, 1690-1, to John Raymond, born September 9th, 1665; died April 12th, 1737. They had a child, Mary Raymond, born March 5th, 1694; died March 7th, 1762, in her 67th year; md. December 24-5, 1719, Nathaniel Street, born ——, 1692; died September 24th, 1748, in 56th year.

Hence we see that both the *Raymond* and the *St. John Genealogies* support the statement that Nathaniel Street married Mary Raymond, but they do not go so far as to give record of a child Mary Street, to become the wife of Daniel[6] Thacher.

The *Street Genealogy* above quoted also states, p. 11: "Nicholas Street, born July 14th, 1677, at Wallingford, Conn.; died June 2nd, 1727; he resided at Groton and was buried at Wallingford, Conn.; he was a tailor. He married April 22nd, 1704 (by Mr. Woodbridge), to Jerusha Morgan and had Jerusha Street (p. 24), born ——, 1715; died July 6th, 1790; buried Starr Cemetery, Groton, Conn.; married Thomas Starr, Jr. (son of Thomas), born April 10th, 1711; died May 14th, 1759, aged 48. They resided at Groton, Conn., on the Starr homestead and joined the church there September 1st, 1734. He was a farmer. They had (p. 50), *Mary Starr,* born *January 20th,* 1740, who married Daniel Thacher, and had (p. 91), Daniel G. Thacher, who married Eunice Starr."

Here we note for the first time a statement that Daniel[6] Thacher married a Mary *Starr,* while all the other authorities viz.: Selleck's *Norwalk* and *Starr Genealogy* (quoted above) state that her name was *Street,* and Selleck going so far as to state that she was Mary Street, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Raymond) Street. It is to be noted also that the *Starr Genealogy,*

p. 17, states that the Mary Starr, born January 20th, 1740; died November 14th, 1741, while the *Street Genealogy*, p. 50, states that this same Mary Starr, born January 20th, 1740, married Daniel Thacher.

From all of the above statements taken in connection with the fact that, as far as I can gather, Daniel[6] Thacher lived and died in Norwalk, Conn., I am inclined to the belief that the *Street Genealogy* is in error in stating that Daniel[6] Thacher married Mary Starr (daughter of Thomas and Jerusha (Street) Starr of Groton, Conn.), who was born January 20th, 1740 (and who the *Starr Genealogy* states died November 14th, 1741). It seems more likely to me that Selleck and the *Starr Genealogy* are correct in their statement that her maiden surname was Street and that as Selleck states she was a daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Raymond) Street, and was born sometime about 1740, although she is not included in the list of the children of Nathaniel Street as given by Hall's *Norwalk*, on p. 219. Moreover as a straw to induce me to this belief Daniel Greenleaf[7] Thacher (son of Daniel[6] Thacher) calls one of his children Polly (Mary) Street Thacher, thus perpetuating in the family the name of her presumable grandmother. It is to be borne in mind that this is but a deduction drawn, not from positive facts, but from an accumulation of circumstantial evidence. I may be entirely wrong and the *Street Genealogy* may be correct.

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Hall's Norwalk, p. 219.
Raymond Family, pp. 4, 6.
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East Norwalk Graveyard Inscriptions, by Van Hoosear.
St. John Genealogy.

270. CAPT. JOHN[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Norwalk, Conn., July 25th, 1742; he lived successively at Norwalk, New Milford and Stratford, Conn., possibly awhile in New York City, and finally in Stratford, Conn., where he died January 16th (or 17th), 1805, and (according to his grandson, the late George William Thatcher of St. Louis, Mo.), was buried there in the Episcopal Burying-ground, a little southeast of the center of the Cemetery; no gravestone. He married, first, at ——, date of marriage ——, to Ann Perry, born at Fairfield, Conn., February —, 1743-4; and baptized there February 19th, 1743-4 (see Schenck's *History of Fairfield*, Vol. II, p. 493); died at ——, date of death ——, 1777, probably, at or shortly after birth of her last child. She was a daughter of Michael Perry (baptized Fairfield, Conn., October 29th, 1721; renewed covenant Fairfield, Conn., February 5th, 1743-4; died ——; married December 8th, 1742, at Fairfield, Conn.), and Grace Sturges, his wife (born ——; baptized Fairfield, Conn., March 8th, 1724; died ——; daughter of Peter and Hannah (Jennings) Sturges, of Fairfield, Conn.), of Fairfield, Conn.

Children: 3 (Thacher), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

+845 i. Partridge,[7] born February 14th, 1767; died September 8th, 1845; married Mary Lockwood.

+846 ii. Stephen Greenleaf,[7] born ——, 1774; died May —, 1857; married Boradil Coit.

847 iii. Elizabeth[7] (Betsey), born ——, 1777; died April 10th, 1847, at Stratford, Conn., aged 70, and was buried there in the Episcopal Burying-ground. She was not married. Orcutt's *History of Stratford* incorrectly states that she died in 1817, but an examination of her gravestone in February, 1912, by the Rector of the P. E. Church establishes the fact that she died in 1847.

Capt. John[6] Thacher married a second time at Stratford, Conn., probably, date of marriage ——, about or previous to April, 1778 (see date of birth of first child by this marriage) to Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson (widow of Lieut. Wm. Thompson, who was killed at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn., April 27th, 1777), born at Stratford, Conn., March 16th, 1745; died at Litchfield, Conn., September 6th, 1807, and was buried at Litchfield, Conn., near the southeast corner of the Talmadge burial-ground, about one foot outside of the iron railing of said ground, where there is a monument to her memory. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Ufford by his wife Jane (Moss) Ufford, who lived at Stratford, Conn. Apparently Captain John[6] Thacher and his second wife were members of the P. E. Church at Stratford and the rector of that church (in 1912) informs me that between February 3rd, 1775, and April 3rd, 1785, there were no records kept of the P. E. Church in Stratford; which fact accounts for the non-existence of the record of Captain John[6] Thacher's second marriage, which occurred between those dates. Bailey's *Early Conn. Marriages* gives the records of the Congregational Churches only.

Children: 5 (Thacher), 3 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Stratford, Conn.

848 iv. Anthony, 1st,[7] born January 27th, 1779; died February 3rd, 1779, aged 7 days, at Stratford, Conn., and was buried there in Congregational burying-ground; gravestone, thus inscribed:— "In Memory of two children of Mr. John and Mrs. Mehitable Thacher. Anthony died the 3rd of February, 1779, aged 7 days. Mehitable died the 16th of July, 1780, aged 30 hours."

849 v. Mehitable, 1st,[7] born July 15th, 1780; died July 16th, 1780, aged 30 hours, at Stratford, Conn., and was buried there in Congregational Burying-ground; gravestone. See inscription under record No. 848.

+850 vi. Anthony, 2nd,[7] born January 7th, 1782; died December 26th, 1844, at New London, Conn.; married Lucretia Christophers Mumford.

851 vii. Mehitable, 2nd,[7] born November —, 1786; baptized November 23rd, 1786, at Stratford, Conn.; died June 29th, 1793, aged 7 years, at Stratford, Conn., and was probably buried there in the Congregational Burying-ground, although no stone marks her grave. The record of her death is to be found in the record of deaths kept by Rev. Stephen Stebbins of the Congregational Church at Stratford, Conn.

+852 viii. Daniel,[7] born May 15th, 1789; died October 30th, 1867, at Bridgeport, Conn.; married, first, Julia Ann Hubbell; married, second, Eunice Sherwood Lyon.

Captain John[6] Thacher undoubtedly spent his early life in Norwalk, Conn. We find in the New Milford, Conn., land records that on May 28th, 1766, land was deeded to John Thacher, late of Norwalk, Conn., and on that date he was described in the deed as "now of New Milford, Conn." Which fact indicates that he had taken up his residence in New Milford. The same land records show that on March 20th, 1769, John Thacher deeds to another this same piece of land that he acquired in 1766. These records probably fix his residence in New Milford at least between the years 1766-1769; how much longer he stayed there has not been determined by me. It is my impression that his residence in New Milford, Conn., was originally caused by the residence there of Partridge Thacher (a distant relative) which belief is made probable by his naming his first child by his first marriage Partridge, after the said Partridge Thacher. In fact, the *Lockwood Genealogy*, pp. 294-5, makes the erroneous statement that Partridge[7] Thacher (son of Captain John[6] Thacher) was the grandson of this Partridge Thacher of Milford, Conn., where in reality he was the grandson of Captain Josiah[5] Thacher, of Milford, Conn., as we have previously shown.

This Partridge Thacher, of New Milford, was a descendant of Rev. Thomas Thacher, of Old South Church, Boston (a nephew of Antony[2] Thacher, the first American ancestor of Capt. John[6] Thacher), and hence the relationship between Partridge Thacher, of New Milford, and Captain John[6] Thacher was in fact an actual blood connection, yet their common lines of blood had diverged since their remote ancestor, Rev. Peter[1] Thacher, of Queen Camel, County Somerset, England, who died in 1624. Partridge Thacher, of New Milford, was an eccentric man, and was married, but without children; and he may have taken an interest in Capt. John[6] Thacher, and this interest may have occasioned Captain John[6] Thacher to have taken up his residence in New Milford for a time and to have named his first born after said Partridge Thacher. Captain John[6]

Thacher was admitted to communion in the New Milford Church in June, 1766; and on the list of baptisms there in April —, 1767, we find the name of Partridge Thacher, son of John Thacher. From 1769 to the outbreak of the Revolutionary War, his residence may have been at New Milford, although we have no record of his probable stay there beyond the deeds above referred to, 1766-69. He married, first, Ann Perry, as above stated; this marriage in all likelihood took place in Fairfield or Norwalk, Conn.; but we have no actual record of either time, or place. The marriage must, however, have taken place previous to 1767, as we have the positive record that his first child, Partridge[7] Thacher, was born February 14th, 1767, and was baptized at New Milford in April —, 1767. He early engaged in active service in the Revolutionary War; and history, as well as family tradition, establishes the fact that he was a Captain in the Navy, in command of the Galley *Washington,* at the battle of Valcours Island, on Lake Champlain on October 11th, 1776, where he was wounded and taken prisoner and afterwards paroled and subsequently exchanged. In the action of Valcour's Island he was the Captain in command of the *Washington,* which vessel had on board General Waterbury, who commanded the Connecticut contingent of troops, associated in the general command with General Benedict Arnold.

From the autobiography of Samuel Blakeslee, of Wallingford, Conn., we extract the following:—"In the year following (1776) there was a company raised by Captain John Thacher, of New Haven, joining the army under General Waterbury at Lake Champlain. After an engagement, Captain John Thacher and his company were taken prisoners and afterwards released on parole."

From the Connecticut Historical Society's Collections, Vol. VII, p. 283, we have the following extract from the "Journal of Bayze Wells of Farmington, Conn., May, 1775, to February, 1777," viz:—

"AT THE NORTHWARD AND IN CANADA.

"Sabbath, 6th October (1776), this day the wind southerly, and this morning I am not well—about twelve o'clock 'Rogally' (i. e., Row Galley) 'Washington,' *Captain Thacher,* arrived; this vessel carries nine (9) carriage guns, sixteen (16) Swivels; about one P. M. Rogally 'Congress,' Captain Arnold arrived; this galley carries ten (10) carriage guns and sixteen (16) swivels. These vessels saluted the fleet with firing a round. The Commodore saluted each of them with five (5) guns. General Waterbury arrived; came on the 'Washington' and joined the fleet. They brought a barrel of rum for each gondola."

From *Connecticut Men in the Revolutionary War,* p. 594, we have the following extract, viz:—

"A flotilla of gondolas, galleys, etc., was built on Lake Champlain in the summer and fall of 1776 and commanded by Generals Arnold and Waterbury. Among the builders were two companies of ship carpenters sent from Connecticut (by request of General Schuyler) under Captains Job Winslow and John Lester. Most of the vessels were destroyed or captured in the action off

Valcours Island, October 11th, 1776. Whether the galleys were credited to certain States or belonged to Congress is not clear. The *Lady Washington* was commanded by General Waterbury. Arnold was on the *Congress* and among other Captains was Hawley who commanded the *Royal Savage*, Captain Mansfield the *New Haven*, Captain Grant the *Connecticut* and Captain Warren the *Trumbull*."

From Force's *American Archives*, 5th Series, pp. 1039–40, Vol. II, year 1776, by Peter Force, on file in the New York Public Library, we find as follows, viz.:

LIST OF ARMED VESSELS ON LAKE CHAMPLAIN.

	Name of Vessel and Commanders	No. of Guns	Size of Guns	No. Swivels	Number of Men
1.	Sloop *Enterprise*, Dickerson	12	4 lbs.	10	50
2.	Schooner *Royal Savage*, Hawley	12		10	50
3.	Schooner *Revenge*, Seaman	8		10	35
4.	Schooner *Liberty*, Palmier	8		8	35
5.	Gondola *New Haven*, Mansfield	3		8	45
6.	Gondola *Providence*, Simonds	3		8	45
7.	Gondola *Boston*, Sumner	3		8	45
8.	Gondola *Spitfire*, Ulmer	3		8	45
9.	Gondola *Philadelpaia*, Rice	3		8	45
10.	Gondola *Connecticut*, Grant	3		8	45
11.	Gondola *Jersey*, Grimes	3		8	45
12.	Gondola *New York*, Reed	3		8	45
13.	Galley *Lee*, Daviss	6		10	86
14.	Galley *Trumbull*, Warner	8		16	80
15.	Galley *Congress*, Arnold	8		16	80
16.	Galley *Washington*, Thatcher	8		16	80
17.	Galley* ———, Chappell	8		16	80

* This galley was fitting at Ticonderoga on the 12th and will not be ready until next Saturday. The above is a true copy taken from Colonel Trumbull's return of the 12 instant.

(sgd) RICHARD VARICK.

From the same authority, Vol. II, 5th Series, p. 1041, we have the following, viz.:

List of Rebel Vessels on Lake Champlain, before their defeat.

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Washington, 2 18 pdrs. in bow
2 12 pdrs. and 2 2 pdrs. in stern } Taken
6 6 pdrs. on the sides

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(Letter from Genl Guy Carleton to Lord George Germain)

sgd. G. C.
(Guy Carleton)

From the same authority, Vol. II, 5th series, p. 1038. (Extract from letter from General Benedict Arnold to General Gates):

"Schuyler's Island, October 12th, 1776.

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"The *Congress* and *Washington* have suffered greatly; the latter lost her 1st Lieutenant killed, and Captain and Master wounded."

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sgd B Arnold

In *Harper's Magazine* for January, 1903, is to be found an article on "Benedict Arnold, Naval Patriot," which article contains a description of the battle of Valcours' Island, with a mention of the Galley *Washington* and the loss of her captain.

Among the Archives of the War Department there was found by General Alexander James Perry, U. S. Army, a receipt for the articles of equipment of

the Galley *Washington*, a copy of which was secured by photograph and is here below reproduced:

Ticonderoga, 2nd Octo. 1776

Rec.d from James Gardner D. Commiss.y Artillery 117

The Following Articles for the Washington Gally

18 pounds Iron Cannon
12 ditto . do ditto
9. ditto. do. ditto
4. ditto. do do
Round Shott for 18 pounders
ditto. do. for. 12. ditto
ditto. do for. 9. ditto
ditto. do for 4. do
Double headed Shott for 18 Do
ditto. ditto. for. 12
2 pound. Cannon
Swivels
Swivels Shott Round
2 pound. do do
Canister Shott for 18 Do
ditto. do for. 12
20. ditto do for 9
40. ditto. do for 4
paper Cartridges fill'd for 18 Do
ditto do do for 12
do. for. 9
do. for. 4
do. for. 2
do. for Swivels
Unfill'd Flannell Cartridges for 12 pounds
Rammers & Sponges
for. 18 pounders
for 12 pounders
for 9 pounders
for. 4. pounders
for 2 pounders
for. Swivels

1 Ladle for. 18 pounder
1 do for 12. do
1 do for 9 do
2 do for 4 do
1 do for 2 do
2 do for Swivels
1 Worm for. 18 pounder
1 do. for. 12. do
2 do. for 9 do
4. do. for 4 do
2 do for 2 do
2 do for Swivels
24 Handspikes
8 powder Horns
8 Lintstocks
10 Priming wires
8 Lead Aprons for Cannon
3 Coil Slow Match
6 Portfires
12 Tubes
3200 Musquet Cartridges
200 Slints
1 Barrel Cont.y 1 hundred W.t powder
4 Quire Cannon Cartridge paper
1 Musquet & Bayonet
1 Rifle Gun
2 Priming wires & Brushes
1 Cartridge to each Cannon
Fill'd with Damaged powder

John Thacher Cap.t

10 Double headed Shott for 9 Do
Omitted

The signatures to this receipt shows that he spelled his name *Thacher*.

From the papers of Rufus Lincoln, we obtain the following extract, viz.:

"October 13th, 1776. The Action on Lake Champlain. The Americans were defeated and lost, killed (wounded and prisoners) & General Waterbury a brigadier in the Militia and Captain Thatcher and about 68 privates were made prisoners."

From a return of American officers and other prisoners on Long Island, August 15th, 1778, we have the following extract, viz.:

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"Captain Thatcher 'E' (i. e. Exchanged) Conn. Militia, taken October 13th, 1776, on Lake Champlain."

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From which it appears that previous to August 15th, 1778, Captain John[6] Thacher had been exchanged; that is to say had been released from his parole upon the delivery to the British forces one of their adherents who had been held in custody by the Americans in exchange for the liberty and person of Captain John[6] Thacher. This probably was the termination of the military career of Captain John[6] Thacher.

From *"Connecticut Men in the Revolutionary War"* we obtain the following extracts, viz.:

Page 629. "Individual Records. John Thatcher, Captain of Navy on Lake Champlain, taken prisoner October, 1776, with General Waterbury."

Page 649. "Invalid pensioners, residence not stated, John Thatcher." Which latter statement is in accordance with family tradition; which is to the effect that Captain John[6] Thacher was a pensioner, although no official record of his pension can be located either in the Archives of Connecticut or in those of the United States.

The above quoted extracts prove conclusively that Captain John[6] Thacher served as a Captain of the Navy in the Revolutionary War and that he was wounded and captured October 11th, 1776, at the battle of Valcour's Island on Lake Champlain; that he was subsequently paroled and exchanged. After his capture and parole and exchange he probably returned to his home; and in 1777, it is probable that his 1st wife Ann Perry died at or subsequent to birth of her last child Elizabeth. He married a 2nd time to Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson, widow of Lieut. William Thompson who was killed at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn., April 27th, 1777. The exact date of his 2nd marriage has not been ascertained; but as Lieut. William Thompson died April 27th, 1777, and, as Anthony 1st[7] Thacher, the 1st child of Captain John[6] Thacher by Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson was born January 27th, 1779, it follows in the natural course of nature that he married the widow Thompson previous to April 27th, 1778 (9 months previous to birth of Anthony 1st[7] Thacher), and subsequent to April 27th, 1777 (the date of death of Lieut. William Thompson). He was initiated a Freemason in Stratford, Conn., November 4th, 1779; and was Master of St. John's Lodge Free and Accepted Masons at Stratford, 1780-84 and 1788-90. Which shows that he had taken up his residence in Stratford as early as 1779. His name first appears on the Stratford Land Records in February, 1781, and the records there show that he was living in Stratford as late as 1790. On February 20th, 1781, he received title to one (1) acre of land in Stratford with a good barn located at a place called the "old mill"; and later, March 1st, 1784, he conveys said land above described as well as a house known as Thacher's Bake House in Stratford to George Smith for £28-15-4; and in said deed he is described as late of the town of Stratford and now of the City of New York." Hence it would seem that he lived in New York City for a time. In 1790 (June 13th), John Thacher and his wife Mehitable deed 30 acres by quit claim both being then described as of Stratford, Conn.

The Probate Records of Stratford, Conn., covering the date of his death in 1805 are filed in Bridgeport, Conn., and the only reference we there find as to the settlement of his estate is as follows, viz.:

"At a Court of Probate held at Stratford, Conn., the 4th day fo February, 1805, Victory Wetmore is appointed Administrator on the estate of John Thatcher, late of Stratford, Conn., deceased, and gave bonds according to law. (See Vol. V, Stratford Probate Records.)

Test. Joseph Walker, Clerk."

A search of the records for a period of thirty years thereafter does not disclose any inventory or accounting on the part of the Administrator; and it is made evident that Captain John[6] Thacher left no will.

Ancestry of Ann Perry, 1st wife of Captain John[6] Thacher:

1. Richard Perry, a settler in Fairfield, Conn., in 1649, and who died in 1657 or 1658, had a son
2. Nathaniel Perry of Fairfield, Conn., born ——; died —— 1681; married Hester Lyon (daughter of Richard Lyon of Fairfield, Conn., as early as 1649, and whose will is dated April 12, 1678, whose home in Fairfield was on Barlow's Plain), born ——; died ——; and by her had a son
3. Joseph Perry, of Fairfield, Conn., born ——, about 1676; renewed covenant at Fairfield Church, February 11th, 1711; died Fairfield, Conn., August 9th, 1753, in the 77th year of his age, and was buried there in Old Burying Ground; he married 1st Sarah Bulkley, daughter of John Bulkley; 2nd Deborah (Burr) Whelpley, widow of Joseph Whelpley, and daughter of Daniel Burr of Fairfield; 3rd Mary Cluckstone (daughter of Michael Cluckstone and granddaughter of Rev. Samuel Wakeman), who after the death of Joseph Perry married 2nd to Thomas Edmunds. Mary Cluckstone was born ——, 1697-8; and died November 8th, 1773, aged 75. Joseph Perry's house in which he lived in Fairfield was in 1882 the oldest house in Fairfield. By his 3rd wife he had amongst others, 2 children.
   1. Esther Perry bapt. Fairfield, Conn., June 15, 1712, who married Commodore John Cannon of Norfolk, Conn., at whose home in Norwalk, Selleck, in his *History of Norwalk*, suggests that Captain John[6] Thacher met her niece Ann Perry who became the 1st wife of said John[6] Thacher.
   2. Michael Perry bapt. Fairfield, Conn., October 29th, 1721.
4. Michael (Mich or Micha) Perry, bapt. Fairfield, October 29th, 1721; d. ——; md. at Fairfield, Conn., December 8th, 1742, to Grace Sturges (daughter of Peter and Hannah (Jennings) Sturges of Fairfield, Conn.), bapt. Fairfield, Conn., March 8th, 1723-4; d. ——; had a daughter
5. Ann Perry, baptized Fairfield, Conn., February 19th, 1743-4.

Ancestry of Mehitable Ufford, 2nd wife of Captain John[6] Thacher.

1. Thomas Ufford (or Uffoot) came from England to America in 1632, with his wife Isabel, on the ship *"Lion,"* with three children. They landed in Boston where he was made a freeman that same year. He was in Milford, Conn., as early as January, 1645-6, where he and his wife joined the church. He died in Stratford, Conn., in 1660, leaving an estate of £289-12-7. They had 2 sons and 1 daughter, born in England, viz.:
   1. Thomas; 2. John; 3. A daughter who married Roger Terrell of Milford.
2. John Ufford, b. ——, in England; died ——; he lived in Stratford, Conn. He married 1st ——, about 1655, to Hannah Hawley, who secured a divorce from him in or before 1657, when on the 25th of the 3rd month, 1657, she married 2nd to John Beard. He married 2nd to Martha Nettleton (daughter of Samuel Nettleton

of Branford, Conn.), and after living sometime in Milford, Conn., he removed to Stratford. He had by his 2nd wife a son

3. Lieut. Samuel Ufford, born Stratford, Conn., January 21st, 1670; died December 30th, 1746, at Stratford, Conn., and was buried there in the Congregational Burying-ground gravestone; he married December 5th, 1694, to Elizabeth Curtis (daughter of Joseph and Bethiah (Booth) Curtis of Stratford, Conn.), born January 17th, 1677, at Stratford, Conn.; died ——; he had a son

4. Ebenezer Ufford, born ——, 1719; died ——; married November 17th, 1743, to Jane Moss (daughter of John and Jane (——) Moss of Stratford, Conn.). They had a daughter

5. Mehitable Ufford, born March 16th, 1745; died September 6th, 1807, at Litchfield, Conn., married 1st October 14th, 1762, to Lieut. William Thompson (son of John and Mehitable (Webb) Thompson of Stratford, Conn.), born October 29th, 1742, at Stratford, Conn.; died April 27th, 1777, killed at battle of Ridgefield, Conn., on that date, and was buried in Stratford, Conn., in the Congregational Burying-ground; and by him she had 7 children. She married 2nd as given above to Captain John[6] Thacher.

Moss Ancestry of Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson-Thacher:

1. John Moss, born ——; at ——; died February 8th, 1721-2, at Stratford, Conn.; he married ——, at ——, to Jane ——, who died September 28th, 1742. He came to Stratford, Conn., from Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y.; but he is supposed to have been born in New Haven, Conn., and to have been the son of Joseph Moss and grandson of John Moss an original settler of New Haven. They had a daughter

2. Jane Moss, born May 22nd, 1722 (posthumous); who married November 17th, 1743, to Ebenezer Ufford and had a daughter

3. Mehitable Ufford, born March 16th, 1745; died September 6th, 1807, who married 1st Lieut. William Thompson, and 2nd Capt. John[6] Thacher.

Owing to the close family associations and business affiliations which existed throughout life between Isaac Thompson and his half brothers Daniel[7] and Anthony[7] Thatcher, I have deemed it desirable for the benefit more especially of the descendants of Anthony[7] Thacher of New London, Conn., to here introduce a sketch of the Thompson Ancestry of the said Isaac Thompson, viz.:

1. John Thompson, came from England, married Mirabel ——, in England; settled in Stratford, Conn., in 1640 among the 1st settlers. He died in 1678. His will was dated in July and his inventory taken in August of that year. If, as some of his descendants think, he was the John "Tomson," aged 22, who came over in 1635 in the *Elizabeth and Ann*, he was at the time of his death 65 years old. His wife Mirabel died April 13th, 1690. They had a son

2. Ambrose Thompson, born January (or June), 1651-2, at Stratford, Conn.; died September 6th (or 7th), 1742, aged 90 (aged 92 according to G. S.), and was buried at Stratford in Congregational Burying-ground, gravestone; he married ——, at ——, to Sarah Welles (daughter of John and Elizabeth (Bourne) Welles of Stratford, Conn.), born at Stratford, Conn., September 28th, 1659; died at Stratford, Conn., March 23rd, 1730, aged about 71 years and was buried in Congregational Burying-ground there, gravestone. Sarah, his wife, owned the covenant in 1697-8 and was admitted to full communion April 9th, 1699. It is possible that Sarah Welles was his 2nd wife owing to the fact that the records in 1698 and subsequently to 1705 speak of Sarah, *now* wife of

Ambrose Thompson, suggesting a possible 1st marriage. Sarah Welles was however the mother of his children. They had

3. John Thompson, born ——, 1680, at Stratford, Conn.; died July 20th, 1765, in his 85th year, at Stratford, Conn., and was buried there in Congregational Burying-ground, gravestone; he married 1st November 15th, 1705, to Ruth Curtis (daughter of Benjamin and Esther (Judson) Curtis), born January 11th, 1683; died April 23rd, 1721. He married 2nd November 30th, 1721, to Martha (Blagge) De Forest (widow of David De Forest of Stratford and daughter of Samuel and Mary (——) Blagge of Stratford, Conn.), born ——, 1677; d. February 7th, 1740, in 63rd year of her age, and was buried in Congregational Burying-ground, Stratford, Conn. He had by his 1st wife a son

4. John Thompson, born April 1st, 1717, at Stratford, Conn.; died ——; married 1st December —, 1739, at ——, to Mehitable Booth (daughter of Deacon Joseph and Hannah (Willcoxson) Booth of Stratford, Conn. (born ——, at ——; died ——, 1740); he married 2nd July 7th, 1741, at Fairfield, Conn., to Mrs. Mehitable Webb, b. ——; d. ——; and by this 2nd marriage he had

5. William Thompson, born October 29th, 1742, at Stratford, Conn.; died April 27th, 1777, killed at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn., and was buried in the Congregational Burying-ground, Stratford, Conn. He married October 14th, 1762, at Stratford, Conn., to Mehitable Ufford (daughter of Ebenezer and Jane (Moss) Ufford, of Stratford, Conn., and after his death his widow became the 2nd wife of Captain John[6] Thacher. William Thompson was a Lieutenant in the military service and was killed at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn. On May 4th, 1777, the Sunday after the burial of Lieut. William Thompson, Rev. Izrahiah Wetmore preached a funeral sermon in his memory on the text Isaiah ix:5, which sermon was in the possession of Wetmore family in 1861.

   Children: 6 (Thompson), 5 sons and 1 daughter, all born in Stratford, Conn.

   1. John, born July 17th, 1763; died ——; married Ellis Benjamin.
   2. William, born August 11th, 1765; died December 14th, 1812; married Phebe Lewis.
   3. Isaac, 1st, born March 27th, 1768; died August 20th, 1775, at Stratford, Conn., and was buried there.
   4. Joseph, born October 22nd, 1769; died ——; married Helen Curtiss.
   5. Mary, baptized ——, 1773; died ——; married Charles Butler of Litchfield, Conn.
   6. Isaac, 2nd, born August 24th, 1775; died March 2nd, 1852, in New London; he married 1st January 5th, 1800, Catherine Mumford (daughter of John and Lucretia (Christophers) Mumford of Lyme (Salem) Conn.), she was born August 22nd, 1777; died August 20th, 1816, aged 39. He married 2nd June 24th, 1817, to Sarah (Sally) Christophers (daughter of Peter and Abigail (Miller) Christophers of New London, Conn.), born March 21st, 1782, died ——.

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271. HANNAH[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Norwalk, Conn., ——, after 1735; died ——, at ——; married ——, at —— (Norwalk, Conn., probably), to John Banks, born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——. I have been unable to obtain any definite record of this couple and their possible descendants beyond the following fragmentary facts which may aid some one of their descendants in the future to connect with their Thacher ancestory. Selleck's *History of Norwalk, Conn.*, states on page 452, that Hannah[6] Thacher was Mrs. John Banks, of Rhinebeck, N. Y., but I have been unable to find any record of her or her husband there. There is a deed recorded in Norwalk, dated August 2nd, 1775, in which Ebenezer Street deeds to John Banks. In the distribution of the estate of Captain Josiah[5] Thacher, of Norwalk (father of Hannah[6] Thacher), under date of August 6th, 1798, Hannah Banks, his daughter, is allotted £28-14-02; showing her to be alive on that date and either the wife or widow of John Banks; and from the phraseology of the distribution which says "Hannah, wife of John Banks," it would seem that John Banks was himself also alive on that date. In the autobiographical diary of the Rev. William[7] Thacher (Daniel,[6] Capt. Josiah[5]), he speaks of having been in Petersburgh, Va., in 1791-3, as foreman for his cousin, John Banks, a tailor in that town. Now if John Banks, who married Hannah[6] Thacher had by her a son John, said John Banks would naturally be the first cousin of Rev. William[7] Thacher. There were families of Banks in Fairfield, Conn., and in Greenwich, Conn., but I have not been able to connect the John Banks who married Hannah[6] Thacher with any of them.

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272. ELIZABETH[6] THACHER (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born ——, after 1735, at Norwalk, Conn.; died ——, at ——; she married, first, —— (previous to March 20th, 1778, as on that date both she and her first husband, Thomas Hill, were witnesses to the will of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher), at —— (Norwalk, Conn., probably), to Thomas Hill, of New Haven, born ——, at —— (Fairfield, Conn., probably); died —— (previous to May 6th, 1783, as on that date his widow married a second time at Stratford, Conn., to John Blackleach and also previous to March 31st, 1782, as he is spoken of as deceased on that date), at —— (Fairfield, Conn., probably). She married, second, at Stratford, Conn., May 6th, 1783 (she being then described as of Fairfield, Conn.), to John Blackleach, of Stratford (Huntington), Conn. He was born ——, at ——; died —— (between April 4th, 1820, ,and May 15th, 1820),

at —— (Stratford, Huntington, Conn., probably). His parentage is unknown to me.

Children, first marriage (Hill), none that are known of.

Children, second marriage (Blackleach), none that are known of.

Selleck's *History of Norwalk, Conn.*, p. 452, is incorrect in its statement that she married, first, John Blackleach and second, to —— Hill, of New Haven. She married as I have above stated, first to Thomas Hill and second to John Blackleach, as proven by the documents above referred to.

As regards the Thomas Hill whom she married as her first husband, I have been unable to determine to my own satisfaction who he was, but the following notes I have collected on the matter may be a guide to some future student of the matter. Thomas[1] Hill, a mariner, lived at Fairfield, Conn.; in 1686 he purchased in London one-half interest in a vessel called the *Two Brothers* of 32 tons burthen for £72; and, while on a long voyage from home, he left his estate in trust with Elias Dougherty and Jacob Walker, of Long Island. He married ——, 1685, to Abigail Wakeman (only daughter of Izbon and Hannah (——) Wakeman, of New Haven), born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——. Izbon Wakeman died in 1683; and his widow married, second, in 1685, to Captain Joseph Bastard.

Children: 2 (Hill), sons, and no doubt others.

i. Thomas.[2]
ii. Benjamin,[2] baptized November 3rd, 1695.

Thomas[2] Hill, born ——, at —— (Fairfield, Conn., probably), died ——, at —— (Fairfield, Conn., probably). He lived at Fairfield, Conn., probably, as his children were all baptized there and his wife Mary renewed covenant with the church there June 25th, 1720, and she is buried there in old burying-ground; gravestone. He married ——, at —— (Fairfield, Conn., probably), to Mary Burr (daughter of John Burr (born May 2nd, 1673, at Fairfield, Conn.; died November —, 1705, at Fairfield, inventory filed November 6th, 1705; distribution ordered May 6th, 1708), and Elizabeth ——, (born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——), of Fairfield, Conn., born October 24th, 1694, baptized at Fairfield, Conn., March 31st, 1695 (on which date her mother Elizabeth renewed covenant with church), at Fairfield, Conn.; died December 19th, 1763, aged 69 years, 1 month, 26 days, at Fairfield, Conn., and is buried there in old burying-ground; gravestone. She renewed covenant with church at Fairfield, June 25th, 1720.

Children: 9 (Hill), 3 sons and 6 daughters, all baptized at Fairfield.

i. Abigail,[3] baptized June 5th, 1720, "dau. of Mr. Thomas Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 484.

ii. Thaddeus,[3] baptized June 26th, 1720, "dau. of Mr. Thomas Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 484.
iii. Mary, 1st,[3] baptized November 11th, 1722, "dau. of Mr. Thomas Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 485.
iv. Mary, 2nd,[3] baptized August 9th, 1724, "dau. of Mr. Thomas Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 485.
v. Elizabeth,[3] baptized January 9th, 1726-7, "dau. of Thomas and Mary Hill," Schenck, Vol. I, p. 379.
vi. Anne,[3] baptized May 11th, 1729, "dau. of Thomas and Mary Hill," Schenck, Vol. I, p. 379.
vii. Thomas,[3] baptized December 12th, 1731, "son of Thomas and Mary Hill," Schenck, Vol. I, p. 379.
viii. Sarah,[3] baptized August 25th, 1734, "dau. of Thomas and Mary Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 489.
ix. Andrew,[3] baptized October 25th, 1739, "son of Thomas and Mary Hill," Schenck, Vol. II, p. 491.

The above list of children are recorded in the Greenfield and Fairfield Parish Registers. Thomas[2] Hill is styled Captain in the Greenfield Parish Register. Captain Thomas[2] Hill was a representative to the General Assembly from Fairfield, Conn., May 13th, 1756, and May 12th, 1758. (See Schenck, Vol. II, pp. 109, 208.) Thomas Hill, Esq., was Sheriff of Fairfield County, Conn., in February, 1759.

Thomas[3] Hill, Jr., born ——, 1731 (baptized December 12th, 1731), at Fairfield, Conn.; died ——, before October —, 1766; for in that month and year Thomas Fitch, Jr., administrator of the estate of Thomas Hill, Jr., makes a memorial to the General Assembly as regards the settlement of Thomas Hill's estate requesting authority to sell land to pay debts and provide for his widow. He married at Fairfield, Conn., January 27th, 1757, to Ellen Sturges (see Bailey's *Conn. Marriages,* Vol. VI, p. 37), born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——.

From the above we see that Thomas Hill,[3] Jr., died previous to October, 1766, session of the General Assembly, and therefore could not be the Thomas Hill who was the husband of Elizabeth[6] Thacher on March 20th, 1778, when they both as husband and wife witnessed the will of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher.

From the *Conn. Colonial Records,* Vol. XIII, we have the records of Thomas Hill as guardian of the Indians and Justice of the Peace for Fairfield, Conn., up to as late as 1770. This must have been Capt. Thomas[2] Hill. Now the records of the burials in the old Burying-ground, Fairfield, Conn., give the gravestone of Mary, wife of Thomas Hill, Esq., and states that she died December 19th, 1763, aged 69 years, 1 month, 26 days. There is no record, however, of the death or burial of said Thomas[2] Hill, hence it is possible that he may have married a second time after death of his first wife Mary, to Elizabeth[6] Thacher. This, however, seems unlikely, as he was born (probably) before his first wife Mary, i. e., before October 24th, 1694, and Elizabeth[6] Thacher was not born

until after 1735; and if Thomas[2] Hill married her as his second wife after December 19th, 1763, she was over 41 years younger than he was, which while possible is yet an improbable conjecture.

From the *Burial Inscriptions of the Old Fairfield, Conn., Burying-ground,* p. 103, we secure the following inscription:—"Here lyes inter'd the body of Doctr Thomas Hill, who died March 8th, A. D., 1781, in the 36th year of his age." This Doctor Thomas Hill was neither the Thomas[2] nor Thomas[3] Hill mentioned above, as his date of birth, 1745, renders that impossible. I do not know who this Doctor Thomas Hill was, but he was alive on March 20th, 1778, when Thomas Hill and his wife Elizabeth[6] (Thacher) Hill witnessed the will of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher, and he (Doctor Thomas Hill) died March 8th, 1781, in time for his widow (if he had one) to marry, second, on May 6th, 1783, to John Blackleach; and moreover he was dead in 1782 in which year Thomas Hill, husband of Elizabeth[6] Thacher, is spoken of as deceased. The exact date of birth of Elizabeth[6] Thacher is not known, but she was a daughter of Capt. Josiah[5] Thacher by his second wife, and hence must have been born after 1735; and in the list of the children of Capt. Josiah[5] Thacher she is always placed after Capt. John[6] Thacher, born July 25th, 1742, and before Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher, who was born ——, 1748. Hence, we see that probably she was born about 1745, the year of birth of the above Doctor Thomas Hill, and was of a proper age to become his wife.

From all of the above I am inclined to believe that the Doctor Thomas Hill who died May 8th, 1781, at Fairfield, and who was buried there, was the first husband of Elizabeth[6] Thacher; especially as in her marriage at Stratford, Conn., on May 6th, 1783, she is stated to be a widow from Fairfield, Conn. She was probably married in Stratford, while visiting her brother, Captain John[6] Thacher, who was then living at Stratford with his second wife Mehitable (Ufford) Thompson-Thacher.

Of John Blackleach, the second husband of Elizabeth[6] (Thacher) Hill, I have been unable to ascertain the parentage or the date and place of his birth. He was, however, a brother of Hudson Blackleach. His will was dated April 4th, 1820, and proved May 15th, 1820; hence he must have died between those dates. Said will is filed in Bridgeport, among the Stratford Probate Records, Vol. VI, 1819-20, pages 500 and 515; in it he is described as of Huntington, Conn. (formerly part of Stratford), and he leaves all his property to his niece Charity Apame Blackleach (daughter of Hudson Blackleach). From the fact that his wife Elizabeth[6] (Thacher) Hill-Blackleach is not mentioned in the will, it is fair to presume that she died previous to his death; and from the fact that he leaves all of his property to his niece, it is to be presumed that he died childless.

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273. Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher (Capt. Josiah,[5] Deacon Josiah,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born ——, 1748 (about), at Norwalk, Conn.; died ——, 1782 (about), at Amsterdam (?), Holland, and was presumably buried there. He was a mariner and his home was at Norwalk, Conn. He married March 5th, 1778, at Fairfield (Green's Farms), Conn., to Anna Platt (born, at ——; died ——, at ——). She was a daughter of Joseph Platt (born September 9th, 1706 (or 1716); died March —, 1777, Yale College, 1733), and Hannah (Whitman) Platt (daughter of Zachariah Whitman by his third wife), of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: (Thacher), none that are known of.

No record that I am aware of gives the exact date of birth of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher. Among my notes, according to some authority which I have failed to record, I find the statement that,—"Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher was a mariner; he died at the age of 34; he sailed on a brig from Boston for Holland, by way of the North of Scotland, the port of destination being Amsterdam, Holland. The ship returned safely with the news that Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher, had died in Holland." The inventory of his estate was filed December 12th, 1782, this being the earliest date in the settling of his estate. The year 1782, less 34 years, his age at death, places his approximate date of birth 1748, which date of birth is in accordance with the order of birth of the children of Captain Josiah[5] Thacher as given by Selleck in his *History of Norwalk*. I imagine that he died a year or so prior to 1782, say 1779, or 1780.

From the Connecticut Hist. Soc. Collections, Vol. VIII., "Revolutionary Rolls and List, 1775-1783," p. 235, we have the following extract:—

"Payroll of Captain Frederick Chapel's Company of seamen raised in the State of Connecticut for Naval Service on the lakes on the Northern Department commencing on the day of their enlistment and ending the 25th day of September, 1776.

"Stephen Greenleaf Thacher, Lieutenant, entered service August 18th, 1776."

From which it would appear that he served his country on the Lake Champlain expedition, and that he possibly was present at the battle of Valcour's Island with his brother Captain John[6] Thacher.

The following is an abstract of his will:—

"Will of Stephen Greenleaf Thacher, at present in good health and enjoying ye free exercise of reason"—"just debts & funeral expenses to be paid out of moveable estate, and remainder to well beloved wife Anna to be her own forever. To wife Anna use of all Real Estate from decease of my honored father. If wife Anna has a child by testator, she is to have 1/3 of dower; but, before estate is distributed, an orphan child of testator's brother Daniel,

deceased, viz: William Thacher to be given £50 out of personal estate, "out of affection to whom I bestow the legacy." If wife die, without bearing a child to testator, or said child die without issue, then William Thacher above mentioned to inherit. Wife Anna and Thaddeus Betts of Norwalk to be executors. Dated March 20th, 1778."

(sgd) STEPHEN G THACHER

Witnesses:—
Thomas Hill
Elizabeth Hill
Deborah Whitney

"There personally appeared Deborah Keeler, late Deborah Whitney, wife to Isaac Keeler, who witnessed signature *Thomas Hill,* another witness, *now deceased, before* me,

(sgd) THADDEUS BETTS
Justice of the Peace."

Norwalk, Ct., March 31st, 1782.

This is the will referred to in the record of Elizabeth[6] Thacher-Hill, No. 272; and as then stated, proves Thomas Hill, her husband, to have been alive March 20th, 1778, and to have been dead on March 31st, 1782.

From Fairfield County, Conn., Probate Records, Estate of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher:—

"Inventory proved by Doctor Thaddeus Betts, Esq., February 3rd, 1783; amount £7-9-6. Certified to by Stephen St. John and Jesse Raymond, both appraisers under oath, dated Norwalk, December 12th, 1782 (outside of paper endorsed, 1783).

The estate of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher, administrator's account dated February 3rd, 1783, covers both sides of paper about 8 x 15 inches, and is signed

(sgd) ANN THACHER, Executrix
(sgd) THADDEUS BETTS, Executor

Dated Norwalk, Conn., February 12th, 1783.

Final settlement of estate was made June 21st, 1784, and on that same date Thaddeus Betts of Norwalk, was appointed guardian of William Thacher, a minor, who was a beneficiary under the will of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher.

From all of the above it would appear that Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher married March 5th, 1778 (possibly, 1778-9), and immediately thereafter March 20th, 1778 (or 1779), made a will in favor of his wife and any possible child to be born, and otherwise in favor of his nephew William[7] Thacher, he being on the eve of departure on a long sea voyage; he subsequently departed on said voyage and died while on said voyage in Amsterdam (?), Holland, and his wife had no issue by him.

Anna (Platt) Thacher, widow of Stephen Greenleaf[6] Thacher, was married a second time at Fairfield, Conn., by the Rev. Andrew

Eliot of the First Congregational Church on March 3rd, 1785, to Captain Samuel Keeler, born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——. He was a son of Matthew and Sarah (Scott) Keeler of Norwalk, Conn.

Children: 3 (Keeler), sons. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Joseph, born October 18th, 1786; died ——, 1824, probably in Norwalk, Conn.
2. Charles, born April 6th, 1789; died ——; settled in New York City and was there in 1812.
3. Samuel, born March 17th, 1792; died ——.

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312. JOSEPH[6] HALLET (Abigail[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, Mass., June 25th, 1725; died ——, at ——. According to Hon. George Thacher's *MSS Genealogy,* p. 180, he died unmarried in the West Indies, but according to *Otis' Barnstable Familes,* Vol. I, p. 517, he married ——, 1745, at ——, to Mary Joyce.

I have no further record of this family.

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313. ABIGAIL[6] HALLETT (Abigail[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Yarmouth, Mass., June 15th, 1727; died at Yarmouth, April 15th, 1790, aged 62, and was buried at Yarmouth, Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She married at Yarmouth April 20th (or 30th), 1747, to Samuel Gorham, born at Yarmouth, Mass., January 3rd, 1722-3; baptized there August 20th, 1727; he lived at Yarmouth and died there May 12th, 1789, aged 66 and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. He was a son of Josiah Gorham (born Yarmouth, September 7th, 1692; died there April 2nd, 1775; married there March 15th, 1721-2), and his second wife, Priscilla Sears (born Yarmouth, July 1st, 1701; baptized Harwich, May 2nd, 1708; admitted Second Church, Yarmouth, August 6th, 1727; died ——), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 7 (Gorham), 5 sons and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

853 i. Joseph, 1st,[7] born ——; died July 26th, 1751, aged 5, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

854 ii. Priscilla,[7] born ——; died ——; married ——, at ——, to Joshua Taylor, born ——; died ——.

Children: 6 (Taylor), 4 sons and 2 daughters.

1. Lucy.[8]
2. Joshua.[8]
3. Nabby.[8]
4. Roland.[8]
5. George.[8]
6. Nathan.[8]

855 iii. Isaac,[7] born ——, 1751 (about, see age at and date of death); died July 11th, 1814, in his 63rd year, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. He married, first, at Yarmouth, Mass. (probably), date of marriage ——, to Sarah[6] Thacher (No. 233), born June 5th, 1749, at Yarmouth; died January 28th, 1808-9, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Lieut. Peter[5] Thacher, No. 80 (born August 24th, 1712; died August 22nd (or 21st), 1775, and Anna (Lewis) Thacher (born February 3rd, 1715-16; died January 17th, 1784), of Yarmouth, Mass. Children: None.

Isaac[7] Gorham married, second, ——, at Yarmouth, to Elizabeth (Hallett) Crowell (widow of Prince Crowell, who died at Yarmouth, March 21st, 1807), born February 23rd, 1769, at Yarmouth; died March 26th, 1866, at Yarmouth, aged 97, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Deacon Isaac Hallett (born August 24th, 1742; died October 5th, 1814; married ——, 1761), and Elizabeth (Eldridge) Hallett, born ——; died March 1st, 1831, aged 86), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Child: 1 (Gorham), son.

1. Isaac,[8] born ——, 1813; died —— (see also No. 770½).

856 iv. Joseph,[7] born ——; died ——; married ——, at ——, to Sally Taylor, born ——; died ——. She was a daughter of Daniel Taylor (born ——, 1722, about; died March 24th, 1815, aged 93, at Yarmouth and buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone), and Elizabeth —— (born ——; died Yarmouth, December 2nd, 1812, aged 91, and buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 7 (Gorham), 1 son and 6 daughters.

1. Fanny.[8]
2. Patty.[8]
3. Nancy.[8]
4. Betsey.[8]
5. Sally.[8]
6. Joseph.[8]
7. Abigail.[8]

858 v. Abigail[7] (Nabby), born March 4th, 1760; died September 22nd, 1821, aged 62; married ——, 1782, at ——, to Joseph[6] Thacher (No. 492), born Yarmouth, Mass., April 16th, 1759; died ——, at ——; he lived at Yarmouth and was a master-mariner. He was a son of Joseph[5] and Abigail (Hawes) Thacher of Yarmouth, Mass. (see record No. 140).

Children: 8 (Thacher), 5 sons and 3 daughters, all born at Yarmouth, Mass.

1. Daniel, 1st,[8] born November 8th, 1784; died August —, 1788, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no gravestone.
2. Betsey, 1st,[8] born January 16th, 1787; died ——, 1798, at Yarmouth, and was probably buried there; no gravestone.
3. Joseph,[8] born July 4th, 1789; died ——, 1823, at sea; married Phebe Gage.
4. Samuel Gorham,[8] born May 20th, 1792; died ——; married Eliza S——.
5. Daniel, 2nd,[8] born July 9th, 1793; died ——.
6. Freeman,[8] born June 1st, 1796; died ——, previous to March 1st, 1818, at sea; not married.
7. Abigail[8] (Nabby), born July 1st, 1798; died ——; married, first, Capt. Leonard Small; married, second, Henry Moore.
8. Betsey, 2nd,[8] born July 16th, 1802; died ——; married Rev. —— Currier.

For continuation of the records of these children of Abigail[7] (Gorham) Thacher, see the record of Joseph[6] Thacher (No. 492) and that of his children (Nos. 1052 to 1059, inclusive).

859 vi. Samuel,[7] born ——, 1764, about; died September 20th, 1790, aged 26, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone; not married.

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314. HANNAH[6] HALLETT (Abigail[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, October 23rd, 1729; died Yarmouth, February 26th, 1790, and was buried there in old graveyard; gravestone. She married ——, 1751,

at Yarmouth, to Lieutenant Nathan Bassett, born Yarmouth, October 17th, 1725; died ——, at ——; he lived at Yarmouth, and at Barnstable in Hallett house, opposite Barnstable Bank. He was the son of Joseph Bassett (born ——; died January 6th, 1749-50; married December 3rd, 1719), and his second wife, Thankful Hallett (born ——; died August 12th, 1736), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 7 (Bassett), 5 sons and 2 daughters, all born in Yarmouth.

860 i. John,[7] born November 4th, 1753; died October 9th, 1805, aged 52, lost on George's Island. Stone to his memory in Old Burying-ground, Yarmouth. He was a mariner; he married ——, at Yarmouth, probably, to Elizabeth Taylor, born ——, 1756; died March 2nd, 1844, aged 88, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Daniel Taylor (born ——, 1722; died March 24th, 1815, aged 93), and his wife Elizabeth —— (born ——, 1731; died December 2nd, 1812, aged 91), of Yarmouth, Mass.

Children: 3 (Bassett), 2 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Yarmouth.

1. Joseph,[8] born August 13th, 1787; died February 8th, 1788, aged 5 months, 26 days, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.
2. John,[8] born October 4th, 1792; died December 6th, 1795, aged 3 years, 2 months, 2 days, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.
3. Hannah Hallett,[8] born ——; died July 2nd, 1848; drowned, and was buried at Yarmouth, Old Burying-ground; gravestone. Not married.

861 ii. Thankful, 1st,[7] born November 3rd, 1756; died December 12th, 1762, at Yarmouth, aged 6 years, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

862 iii. Joseph,[7] born February 13th, 1759; died ——.

863 iv. Ebenezer,[7] born May 24th, 1761; died ——.

864 v. Thankful, 2nd,[7] born September 19th, 1763; died March 5th, 1843, at Yarmouth, in her 80th year, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone. She married Ebenezer Taylor, born ——, 1760 (see age at and date of death), at Yarmouth; died March 4th, 1843, in his 83rd year, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

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Children: 3 (Taylor), 2 sons and 1 daughter.

1. Ebenezer,[8] born ——; died ——.
2. Hannah,[8] born ——; died ——.
3. Francis,[8] born ——; died ——.

865 vi. Francis,[7] born January 14th, 1766; died ——.

866 vii. Joshua,[7] born August 7th, 1768; died May 28th, 1836, aged 67 years, 9 months, at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Woodside Cemetery; gravestone. He married ——, at ——, to Betsey B——, born March —, 1772; died June 17th, 1850, aged 78 years, 3 months, and was buried in Woodside Cemetery; gravestone.

Children: 3 (Bassett), sons and perhaps other children, all born at Yarmouth.

1. Ebenezer,[8] born December 9th, 1793; died September 4th, 1795, aged 20 months, 26 days, and was buried in Old Burying-ground, Yarmouth; gravestone.
2. Charles,[8] born August —, 1796; died July 6th, 1813, aged 16 years, 11 months; drowned, and was buried in Old Burying-ground, Yarmouth; gravestone.
3. Nathan,[8] born ——, 1813; died November 13th, 1829, in 16th year at Yarmouth, and was buried there in Old Burying-ground; gravestone.

Lieutenant Nathan Bassett married, second, to Desire (——) Crowell, widow of Prince Crowell, by whom he had no children.

Amos Otis, in his *Barnstable Families,* Vol. I, p. 517, says that Hannah[6] Hallett married, first, on October 9th, 1775, to Josiah Gorham, and second, to Thomas Allyn; but gives no further record beyond this bare statement of fact. Hon. George Thacher, in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* states positively that Hannah[6] Hallett (daughter of Joseph and Abigail[5] (Thacher) Hallett, married Nathan Bassett; and Freeman, in his *Cape Cod*, p. 217, Vol. II, states that Nathan Bassett married Hannah Hallett; and again *Otis' Barnstable Families,* Vol. I, p. 50, states that Nathan Bassett married Hannah Hallett. So we see that there is some difference of statements as to whom Hannah[6] Hallett (Joseph[5]) married. The gravestone inscription of Hannah Bassett (wife of Lieutenant Nathan) reads as follows: "Hannah, wife of Lieutenant Nathan Bassett, died February 26th, 1790, in her 60th year," hence she was, according to her gravestone, born subsequent to February 26th, 1730. Hannah Hallett, as we have above recorded, was born October 23rd, 1729; so on February 26th, 1790, she would be 60 years, 4 months, and 3 days old and therefore the gravestone of the wife of Lieut. Nathan Bassett does not agree with the date of birth as

given of Hannah[6] Hallett. Seth Hallett had a daughter, Hannah, born December 4th, 1731, who if she died on February 26th, 1790, would be in her 60th year provided the year 1790 meant 1790-1, it being February 26th. Hence the Hannah Hallett who married Nathan Bassett may have been the daughter of Seth Hallett and not the daughter of Joseph and Abigail[5] (Thacher) Hallett; and Hannah[6] Hallett (No. 314) may, as Amos Otis says, in Vol. I, p. 517, have married, first, on October 9th, 1755, to Josiah Gorham, and second, to Thomas Allyn.

With this explanation, I have made the record as above given in view of the positive statement of Hon. George Thacher in his MSS. *Thacher Genealogy,* which authority may, however, be in error.

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316. ELIZABETH[6] HALLETT (Abigail[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Yarmouth, April 25th, 1734; died March 19th, 1764, at ——; married ——, 1757, at ——, to Prince Hawes, Jr. (as his first wife), born Yarmouth, April 15th, 1736; he was a mariner and died (lost at sea) December 14th, 1767. He was a son of Prince Hawes (born Yarmouth, December 29th, 1709; died Yarmouth, December 8th, 1771; married July 17th, 1735), and Anna Hodge (born ——; died March 4th, 1782), of Yarmouth, Mass., of which town Prince Hawes, Sr., was town clerk.

Children: 3 (Hawes), 1 son and 2 daughters, all born at Yarmouth.

867 i. Joseph,[7] born October 11th, 1758; died March 17th, 1850; married Thankful Matthews.

868 ii. Elizabeth,[7] born September 2nd, 1760; died ——; married Elisha Hallett.

869 iii. Abigail,[7] born September 19th, 1763; died May 18th, 1764.

Prince Hawes, Jr., married a second time at Yarmouth, October 17th, 1765, to Sarah[5] Thacher (No. 145), born Yarmouth, August 17th, 1737; died ——, at Falmouth, Mass. (probably). She was a daughter of Judah[4] Thacher (No. 51) by his wife, Sarah Crosby, of Yarmouth, Mass.

Child: 1 (Hawes), daughter, born at Yarmouth.

870 iv. Anna,[6] born August 4th, 1766; died April 10th, 1782, aged 16, drowned, and was buried in Old Burying-ground, Yarmouth; gravestone. Not married. (See also No. 512.)

Sarah[5] (Thacher) Hawes, widow of Prince Hawes, Jr., married a second time ——, at ——, to Thomas Palmer (as

his second wife), born Falmouth, Mass., February 12th, 1737-8; died Falmouth, April 25th, 1775, in his 38th year, and was buried there in old graveyard; gravestone. He was a son of Rev. Samuel Palmer (born August 8th, 1707, at Middleboro, Mass.; died Falmouth, Mass., April 13th, 1775, in his 68th year; married January 25th, 1736-7), and his first wife, Mercy (Baker) Palmer (born ——; died March 1st, 1750), of Falmouth, Mass. Rev. Samuel Palmer's second wife was Mrs. Sarah Allen, whom he married in 1751.

Child: 1 (Palmer), son born at Falmouth, Mass.

871 i. Job,[6] born August 11th, 1772; died ——; married ——, of Virginia.

Thomas Palmer's first wife was Elizabeth[5] Thacher (No. 175), born at Yarmouth, March 28th, 1741-2; died December 23rd, 1768, in her 27th year, at Falmouth, and was buried there in old Burying-ground. She was a daughter of Thomas[4] Thacher (No. 57) by his wife Thankful Baxter.

Children: 2 (Palmer), both born at Falmouth Mass.

601 i. Matty,[6] born October 20th, 1766.
602 ii. Thomas,[6] born August 20th, 1767.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*.

320. ELIZABETH[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Barnstable, February 29th, 1735-6; died April 30th, 1806, in the 71st year of her age, at Plymouth, Mass., and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone. She married, first, at Barnstable, July 24th, 1766 (or 1765), to Capt. Hezekiah Jackson, born Plymouth, ——, 1738; died at Plymouth, February 6th, 1768, in his 30th year. He lived at Plymouth and was a sea captain. He was a son of Thomas Jackson (born ——, 1700; died July 10th, 1775, ae 75; married ——, 1724), and his wife, Hannah Woodworth of Little Compton, R. I.), (born ——, 1708; died January 21st, 1778, aged 70), of Plymouth.

Child: 1 (Jackson), daughter, born at Plymouth.

+872. i. Elizabeth,[7] born ——, 1768; died ——; married Thomas Sturgis, of Barnstable.

Elizabeth[6] (Thacher) Jackson, widow of Hezekiah Jackson, married a second time, at Plymouth, ——, 1772, to Eleazer Stephens (or Stevens) (as his third wife), born at Plymouth, ——, 1723; died at Plymouth, September 5th, 1785, in his 63rd year, and was buried there on Burial Hill. He was a

son of Edward Stephens (born ——, 1678; died July 30th, 1756), and Mary Churchill (born ——; died January 25th, 1723-4), of Plymouth, Mass.

Children: 2 (Stephens), daughters, both born at Plymouth.

+873 ii. Sarah,[7] born ——, 1772; died ——; married Freeman Bartlett.

874 iii. Hannah,[7] born ——, 1776; died August 28th, 1801, in her 25th year, at Plymouth, and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone; not married.

Eleazer Stephens married, first, at Plymouth, October 29th, 1747, to Sarah Sylvester, born Plymouth, ——, 1721; died at Plymouth, October 28th, 1763, in her 43rd year and was buried there on Burial Hill. She was a daughter of Joseph and Mercy (Holmes) Sylvester, of Plymouth. Eleazer Stephens married, second, at Plymouth, February 9th, 1766, to Susannah (Cobb) Sylvester (daughter of Ephraim and Margaret (——) Cobb, of Plymouth, and widow of Joseph Sylvester), born ——, 1731; died December 30th, 1766, in the 37th year of her age, and was buried on Burial Hill, Plymouth; gravestone.

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Early Mass. Marriages, Vol. II, pp. 10, 20.
Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*.

321. ABIGAIL[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, March 20th, 1738; died ——, at ——; she married at Barnstable, November 24th, 1763, to John Gray, born at Barnstable, July 2nd, 1740; died ——, 1799(?), at Barnstable (probably). He resided at Barnstable, Mass., and was a Lieut. in Revolutionary War, in Col. Brewer's Mass. Regiment. He was a son of Elisha Gray (born November 29th, 1711, at Harwich, Mass.; died ——; married August 12th, 1739), and his wife Susannah (Sturgis) Davis (born May 10th, 1709, at Barnstable; died December 19th, 1768, at Barnstable), of Barnstable, Mass. Susannah Sturgis was a daughter of Edward Sturgis (see Otis' *Barnstable Families*, Vol. I, p. 284). She married 1st, November 17th, 1726, to Thomas Davis of Barnstable, Mass. (born at Barnstable, October 1st, 1706; died April 9th, 1738). Thomas Davis, her 1st husband, was a son of John Davis (born Barnstable, Sept. 2nd, 1681; died —— 29th, 1736, aged 58; married August 13th, 1705), and his wife Mehitable Dimmock (born ——; died May —, 1775, aged 89), of Barnstable, Mass. Elisha Gray was a son of John and Susanna (Clark) Gray of Harwich, Mass.

Children: 2 (Gray), daughters, both born at Barnstable.

+875 i. Elizabeth,[7] born March 24th, 1764; died March 29th, 1845; married Abial Lovejoy, as his second wife (see also No. 576).

+876. ii. Susannah,[7] born ——, 1765; died October 24th, 1798, in her 33rd year; married Deacon Josiah Dimon, as his first wife.

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324. DESIRE[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, July 18th, 1745; died ——, at ——; she married at Barnstable, October 15th, 1775, to Benjamin Gorham, born Barnstable, February 23rd, 1747; died at Barnstable, ——, shortly after January —, 1811. He was a son of Col. David Gorham (born April 6th, 1712; died ——, 1789, aged 77; married August 2nd, 1733), and his first wife, Abigail Sturgis (born ——, 1712; died February 11th, 1775, aged 63), of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 6 (Gorham), 5 sons and 1 daughter, some probably born at Barnstable, others in Gorham, Maine.

+877 i. Edward,[7] born ——; baptized April 28th, 1776; died ——; married the widow Joanna (Poland) Webb.

+878 ii. William,[7] born ——; baptized January 25th, 1778; died ——; married Charlotte Beals.

879 iii. Christopher,[7] born ——; died ——; young; not married. He stammered and was but one remove from an idiot; he died at sea.

880 iv. Mary (Polly),[7] born ——; died ——; she stammered and was but one remove from an idiot; *Otis' Barnstable Families*, Vol. I, p. 437, states that although not married she bore a son, David, in 1809.

881 v. David,[7] born ——; baptized April —, 1756; died ——, at ——; he resided in Maine.

882 vi. Shubael,[7] born ——; baptized July 11th, 1790; died ——, 1840; not married; he was but one remove from an idiot.

Benjamin Gorham (son of Col. David) was called "Turkey Foot" to distinguish him from four (4) other Benjamin Gorhams who were living in Barnstable at that time, each of whom had some nickname to distinguish him from the others. After his marriage his father built a house for him in Dimmock's Lane, which house in a few years was moved onto a lot on Gorham's farm. He re-

moved to Gorham, Maine, and was there in 1789; but in January, 1791, he had returned to Barnstable and died there not long after. He is called upon the records a "spendthrift"; he had no business capacity and was a man of weak intellect, and his wife was an even weaker vessel, though a member of the church, an honest woman and a good neighbor. Their children are not recorded in the Barnstable records and some of them were probably born in Maine.

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History of Gorham, Maine, by McClellan, p. 523.

325. JETHRO[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, January 16th, 1747; died at Lee, Mass., June 28th (or 29th), 1826, in his 80th year and was buried there; gravestone. He lived at Barnstable until previous to July 15th, 1804, on which date he was dismissed to the church at Lee, Mass., and took up his residence there. He married at Barnstable (or Wareham), Mass., July 9th, 1776, to Hannah[6] Thacher (his own first cousin (see No. 345), born Wareham, Mass., June 27th, 1755; died at Lee, Mass., of palsy and old age, July 14th (or 15th), 1833, aged 78, and was buried there; gravestone. She was a daughter of Rev. Roland[5] Thacher (No. 107) and his wife, Abigail Crocker, of Wareham, Mass.

Children: 7 (Thacher), 2 sons and 5 daughters, all born at Barnstable.

+883 i. Lucy,[7] born December 29th, 1777; died July 15th, 1811; married Ebenezer Swift.

884 ii. Jonathan,[7] born April 21st, 1780; died December 14th, 1807, at Lee, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone. I do not think that he was married. He was killed by the kick of a horse that he was attempting to drive home from Alford, Mass. A pillar by the roadside for a while marked the spot of his tragic end.

885 iii. Martha,[7] born June 23rd, 1783; died August 4th, 1806, at Barnstable, Mass., and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone; not married. Gravestone inscription, as follows:—"In memory of Miss Martha Thacher, daughter of Mr. Jethro and Mrs. Hannah Thacher, of Lee, Mass., who died August 4th, 1806, in the 23rd year of her age."

"In youthful bloom death laid me down
Here to await the trumpet's sound.
Repent! Repent! now you have time,
For I was taken in my prime."

886 iv. Nancy,[7] born October 8th, 1785; died January 7th, 1872, aged 86, at King's Ferry, Cayuga Co., N. Y., at the residence of her niece, Mrs. Gibbs. Not married.

887 v. Roland,[7] born May 13th, 1788; died October 4th, 1813, at Lee, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone. He was a furrier; not married.

+888 vi. Hannah,[7] born September 24th, 1790; died November 10th, 1850; married James Wakefield.

+889 vii. Sophia,[7] born October 30th, 1792; died February 29th, 1860; married Leonard Olmstead.

Jethro[6] Thacher was a farmer and a cooper by trade; previous to July 15th, 1804 (when he and his wife were dismissed from church at Barnstable to church at Lee), he removed from Barnstable to Lee, Mass., on account of dissatisfaction with the Unitarian influence which pervaded the community about Barnstable and which influence had taken possession of the church where he and his wife worshipped. He made the removal in order that both he and his wife might enjoy the pastoral ministration of the Rev. Mr. Hyde. They established themselves at Lee on a farm and were active, earnest workers helping to build up a Christian community in that town. He was the first cooper in Lee; he purchased a farm on the Williams' grant, being the one subsequently owned by George Markham and afterwards forming a part of the plantation of Mr. Elizur Smith. In connection with his farm he worked at his trade of cooper and made all of the pails, churns and butter firkins and cider barrels for the town. He was very deaf and was remembered by some as taking his seat in the pulpit on the Sabbath with Dr. Hyde and standing by his side during the prayer and preaching with his ear trumpet directed towards the minister so that he might catch every word that fell from the lips of the divine he so much revered. He died in 1826 and was succeeded in the cooper business by Joseph Chadwick. Jethro[6] Thacher's cattle mark as recorded at Lee was "crop off left ear and a slit in end of each ear."

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Vital Records of Lee, Mass., pp. 231-2.
Records of Town of Lee from Incorporation to 1801, p. 132.
Centennial History of Lee, Mass., pp. 317-18.
Barnstable Records, Vol. IV, p. 179.

326. FEAR[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, February 1st, 1748; died at Portland, Maine, March 26th (or 28th), 1829; the date March 20th, 1829, as given under record No. 104 is incorrect. She married at Barnstable, December 11th, 1777 (or December 4th, 1778), to John Goodwin (as his second wife), born Plymouth, Mass., October 18th, 1751; he was a rope maker and lived at Plymouth, Mass., and Portland, Maine, and died at Portland, April 2nd, 1829; both he and

his wife were buried at Portland. He was a son of Nathaniel Goodwin (married 1746) and his wife Lydia Le Baron (daughter of Lazarus Le Baron), of Plymouth, Mass.

Children: 7 (Goodwin), 1 son and 6 daughters, all probably born at Plymouth.

890 i. Nancy B——, 1st,[7] born November 23rd, 1779; died January 17th, 1780, aged 1 month, 5 days, at Plymouth, and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone.

+891 ii. Nancy B——, 2nd,[7] born September 28th, 1781; died September 8th, 1828; married Thomas Clark.

+892 iii. Eliza,[7] born August 23rd, 1783; died October 23rd, 1847; married William Williams.

+893 iv. Lydia Le Baron,[7] born December 22nd, 1785; died January 18th, 1854; married John Revere.

+894 v. Emily,[7] born May 9th, 1789 (or 1790); died December 19th, 1836; married Daniel Adams Poor.

+895 vi. Lucy,[7] born March 19th, 1792; died January 8th, 1830; married Thomas Gurley.

+896 vii. John,[7] born ——; died ——; married Dorothy Gibbs.

John Goodwin, Sr., married, first, at Plymouth, Mass., May 12th, 1774, to Hannah Jackson, born ——, 1755, at Plymouth; died March 8th, A. D. 1777, at Plymouth, in the 22nd year of her age and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone. She was a daughter of Thomas Jackson (born ——, 1729; died September 19th, 1794; married ——, 1751), and Sarah Taylor (born ——, 1733; died October 27th, 1811, aged 78), of Plymouth, Mass.

Children: 2 (Goodwin), daughters, born in Plymouth. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Hannah Jackson, born September 10th, 1775; died September 6th, 1855, aged 81, at Plymouth, Mass.; gravestone; not married.
2. Sally, born October 23rd, 1776; died ——; married Salisbury Jackson.

In reference to No. 896, Davis' *Landmarks of Plymouth,* p. 119, gives a John Goodwin as marrying Dorothy Gibbs, of Sandwich; but he does not locate him as a son of John Goodwin who married Fear[6] Thacher (either by his first or second wife) and leaves his parentage undetermined. *The Le Baron Genealogy* is the only authority for making him the son of John and Fear[6] (Thacher) Goodwin.

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Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth, pp. 119-20, 161, 259.
Le Baron Genealogy, pp. 50-1, 120.
Burial Hill Plymouth Inscriptions, pp. 86-87.

327. JOHN[6] THACHER (John,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, December 29th, 1751; he lived at Barnstable, where he was Deputy Marshal and High Sheriff, and where he died July 4th, 1833, aged 81 years, 7 months, and was probably buried there, although I have found no record of his gravestone. He married 1st at —— (recorded at Barnstable), September 26th, 1773, to Hannah Bourne, born ——, 1755, at Sandwich, Mass., probably; died January 1st, 1785, in 30th year of her age, at Barnstable, Mass. (probably), although I have no record of her gravestone. She was a daughter of James Bourne (born ——, 1731; died ——; married February 18th, 1753), and Mary Nye (born ——; died ——), of Sandwich, Mass.

Children: 2 (Thacher), sons, both born at Barnstable.

+897 i. Samuel,[7] born October 11th, 1780; died July 8th, 1870; married Mehitable Martin Briggs.

+898 ii. John,[7] born May 1st, 1783; died June 10th, 1827; married Eliza Hewitt.

John[6] Thacher married a second time at Barnstable, by Rev. John Mellen, July 28th, 1785, to Remember (or Remembrance) Freeman, born Sandwich, Mass., ——, 1758 (see age at and date of death); died Barnstable, April 26th, 1795, aged 37 years, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Benjamin Freeman, Jr. (born September 9th, 1725; died January 5th, 1784-5, aged 58; married November 11th, 1756), and his wife, Sarah (Nye) Freeman (born ——, 1737; died January 22nd, 1790, aged 53), of Sandwich, Mass.

Children: 4 (Thacher), 3 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable.

899 iii. Benjamin,[7] born May 20th, 1786; died June 10th, 1832, in Canada. He is believed to have been apprenticed to a shoemaker in Brewster, but left there and went to Canada. Whether he married or to whom I do not know, but he is said to have left a daughter Hannah[8] Thacher whose intention of marriage to Joseph Long was published December 14th, 1833, and whom she married April 1st, 1834. In 1869 this Joseph Long and his wife were living in Brewster Woods.

900 iv. James,[7] born January 28th, 1789; died September 1st, 1821, drowned while crossing Barnstable Harbor, and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. Not married. A notice of his death was published September 8th, 1821, in the *Independent Chronicle* and *Boston Patriot*.

+901 v. Hannah Bourne,[7] born January 2nd, 1792; died September 22nd, 1874; married William Sampson.

902 vi. Freeman,[7] born November 29th, 1794; died August 13th, 1795, "in his 10th month," at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone.

John[6] Thacher married, a third time, at Hanover, Mass., by Rev. John Mellen, September 23rd (or 29th), 1795, to Mary (Polly) Simmons, born September 26th, 1755, at Hanover, Mass.; died April 28th, 1814, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Joshua Simmons (born ——, 1715, or 1717, at Scituate, Mass.; died March 3rd, 1807, aged 88, at Hanover, Mass.; married November 11th, 1742), and Elizabeth Dillingham (born ——, 1721; died July 18th, 1797, aged 76), of Hanover, Mass.

Children: None.

John[6] Thacher married, a fourth time, at Barnstable. September 5th, 1814, to Sabra (Hatch) Hinckley (widow of Freeman Hinckley, whom she married May 17th, 1771, and by whom she had no issue; he born June 27th, 1757; died ——, early; he was a son of John and Bethiah (Freeman) Hinckley), born ——, 1761 (see age at and date of death), at Falmouth, Mass.; died Barnstable, February 15th, 1834, aged 73 years, and was buried in Goodspeed's Hill West Burying-ground; gravestone. Her parentage is not known to me.

Children: None.

John[6] Thacher appears to have been a popular character judging from the number of offices he held. He was Deputy Marshal and High Sheriff besides holding other minor positions. The following account of him was furnished by his son, the late Samuel Thacher, of Barnstable, a short time before the latter's death:— "The first United States Mail between Boston and Barnstable commenced running in 1792. John[6] Thacher, of Barnstable, contracted with the Government to perform the service, and made the first trip October 1st of that year. Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania (not the Massachusetts Pickering) was Postmaster-General and Jonathan Hastings our Postmaster in Boston. The arrangement was made through the influence of Shearjashub Bourne, the then member of Congress for the Barnstable District. The Post Rider used to start on horseback from Barnstable, and arriving at Plymouth in the evening, stopped at that town overnight. The next night he arrived at Boston, at the sign of the "Lion" on Washington street, and delivered his mail to the Postmaster. Starting from Boston Thursday morning he arrived at Barnstable Friday night. The mail was easily carried in one side of a pair of saddle bags; the other side was used for carrying packages. For this service

the contractor was paid one dollar a day while in actual service. This sum looks pretty small beside the amounts now paid for government service; but, small as it was, it was severely censured then for its extravagance. Moses Hallett, who seems to have been a champion of reform and retrenchment in his day, thought the sum paid exhorbitant, and predicted that the government would go to ruin; but his opposition was unavailing, and it is safe to assert that a less sum was never paid for this same service."

In the recording of the marriage of John[6] Thacher with Polly Simmons both in *Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth,* p. 244, and the *History of Hanover, Mass.,* p. 373, his name is given as John *H.* Thacher. I do not know whether he had a middle name beginning with H or not.

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History of Hanover, Mass., p. 373.
Otis' Barnstable Families, Vol. II, p. 46.
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Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth, p. 244.

328. DR. JAMES[6] THACHER (John[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, February 14th, 1754; he resided at Plymouth, Mass.; he died at Plymouth, May 26th, 1844, aged 90, and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone. His date of death is variously given by divers authority as May 23rd, 24th and 26th, 1844, but May 26th seems to have been the correct date. He married at Bridgewater, Mass., April 28th, 1785, to Susannah Haywood, born ——, 1757 (see age at and date of death), at Bridgewater, Mass. (probably); died Plymouth, Mass., May 17th, 1842, aged 86, and was buried there on Burial Hill; gravestone. She was a daughter of Nathan Hayward (born ——, 1720; died ——, 1794, aged 74; married ——, 1748, about), and Susannah Latham (born ——, 1727; died ——; daughter of Charles Latham), of Bridgewater, Mass.

Children: 6 (Thacher), 2 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Plymouth, Mass.

+903 i. Betsey,[7] born June —, 1786 (about); died February 27th, 1871, aged 84 years, 8 months; married, first, Daniel Roberts Elliott (or Eliot); married, second, Michael Hodge.

904 ii. Susan, 1st,[7] (Sukey), born April —, 1788; died December 8th, 1790, at Plymouth, aged 2 years, 8 months, and was buried on Burial Hill; gravestone.

905 iii. James,[7] born December 10th, 1790; died December 12th, 1790, at Plymouth, aged 2 days, and was buried on Burial Hill; gravestone.

906 iv. Hersey,[7] born December —, 1791; died April 17th, 1793, at Plymouth, aged 1 year, 4 months, and was buried on Burial Hill; gravestone.

+907 v. Susan, 2nd,[7] born ——, 1794; died August 25th, 1862; married William Bartlett.

908 vi. Catherine,[7] born ——, 1797; died February 10th, 1800, at Plymouth, aged 3 years, and was buried on Burial Hill; gravestone.

Dr. James[6] Thacher was a public-spirited and distinguished citizen, and died May 26th, 1844, aged 90 years. We quote from his memoirs concerning himself (written July, 1834), a part of which quotation may be considered particularly applicable to the present times, viz:—"Having devoted a few years to the study of medicine, under the direction of my patron, Dr. Abner Hersey, of Barnstable; and having imbibed a good share of the pure principles of the whigs and patriots of the day, I resolved to test my courage in the great rebellion of 1775. In this service (i. e., Military Service) I continued seven years and a half and participated in the glorious consummation of Independence. Since that period about half a century has been devoted to the practice of medicine, no less laborious both to the body and mind, than my military career. It is through the favor of the power from on high that I am yet among the living, a monument of a hoary head crowned with innumerable undeserved blessings. While yet I live let me not live in vain. But God forbid that I should ever totter under the painful apprehension of witnessing my country's ruin. I have a recollection of days fraught with wondrous things and wondrous results; but the things of the present day are no less wondrous. I have seen our precious liberties and freedom wrested from the hands of the oppressors by the immense sacrifice of lives, of treasure, of perils and of sufferings. How many have I seen, at the hour of death exclaiming, 'I die for my country.' I see now the fair heritage of our fathers in imminent danger of being sacrificed at the shrine of the reckless, sordid spirit of party interest. I have seen public offices courting competent men to fill them, and I have seen them filled with men who with a religious conscientiousness acquitted themselves of duty. But this seems already to be an antiquated morality; for now I see unworthy, incompetent men seeking and laying claim to public offices as a reward for desecration and unfaithfulness. My fellow citizens, I have seen the days that tried men's souls. I claim the privilege of age to forewarn you that unless you view your elective franchise in a light more precious than heretofore, ere long you will have no office to bestow; all will be anarchy and confusion, ruin and despair. Oh! how great would be my consolation, could my benediction avail for the amelioration of my beloved country's welfare."

Dr. James[6] Thacher was a prolific writer and amongst other works he was the author of the following publications:—

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Military Journal of the Revolutionary War, pp. 303, 1823 and 1827, Boston, and 1854, Hartford, Conn.; *History of Town of Plymouth, Mass., from First Settlement in* 1620, p. 382; *Boston,* 1832, *and Boston,* 1835, p. 401; *American Medical Biography,* 2 vols., 1828; *Indian Biography; Account of Iron Manufacture; Pen Portrait of George Washington; Letter dated December 28th,* 1825, *Relative to the "Newburg Letters,"* see *N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg.,* Vol. XLII, p. 165; *The New Dispensary; On Hydrophobia; Modern Practice of Physic; Americans Orchardist,* 1822; *On Management of Bees,* 1831; *On Demonology, Ghosts, Etc.,* 1831; and sundry other written communications to societies and periodicals, among which may be mentioned his article on the "origin of the Thacher family," which appeared in the *New England Magazine* for 1834.

Dr. James[6] Thacher was the First Librarian of the Plymouth, Mass., Historical Society; and among the antiquities of the Pilgrim Society of Massachusetts is to be found his portrait taken while Librarian and Cabinet Keeper of that Society. This portrait (a reproduction of which accompanies this sketch) was painted by Mr. Frothingham in 1841, by order of the Society, pursuant to a vote expressing the Society's sense of the valuable services that Dr. Thacher had rendered in promoting the objects of said society. Dr. Thacher was appointed Librarian and Cabinet Keeper of the Pilgrim Society at its organization and his indefatigable efforts contributed largely to the promotion of its objects. The following extract from a report of a committee of that Society indicates the sense entertained of his services:—"The undersigned to whom was referred the report of Dr. James Thacher respecting the iron railing around 'Fore-father Rock' report that the Society is indebted to Dr. Thacher for the beautiful and costly monument which, while it secures 'Pilgrim Rock' from further depredations records for the benefit of posterity the names of our fathers and affords a pleasing subject of contemplation to many strangers who visit us."

From Heitman's *Register of Officers in the Continental Army,* 1775-1783, we obtain the following synopsis of his military career:—

THACHER, JAMES, Massachusetts.

Surgeon's Mate, Whitcomb's Mass. Regt., July to December, 1775.

Surgeon's Mate, 6th Continental Infantry, January 1st, to December 31st, 1776.

Hospital Surgeon's Mate, April 1st, 1777.

Surgeon of Jackson's additional Continental Regiment, November 10th, 1778; Regt. designated the 16th Massachusetts, July 23rd, 1780; transferred to 9th Mass. Regt., January 1st, 1781.

Retired January 1st, 1783; died March 24th, 1844.

From the Census of United States Pensioners, 1840, we have the following:—

Plymouth County, Mass., Plymouth town.
James Thacher, aged 83.

From the General Catalogue of Dartmouth College (1769-1900) we obtain the following record:—

James Thacher, Honorary degree, Dartmouth College, M. D., 1810.
A. M., Harvard College, 1808.
M. D., Harvard College, 1810.
Born February 14th, 1754; died May 26th, 1844; Physician and Surgeon in Revolutionary War.

From various sources his date of death is given as May 23rd, 24th, or 26th, and March 26th, 1844, with the preponderance of evidence in favor of May 26th, 1844, aged 90.

From the published inscriptions of Burial Hill, Plymouth, we obtain the following taken from stones inclosed in a plot by an iron railing; stone white marble in fine condition, but somewhat moss-grown:—

"In memory of James Thacher, M. D., a surgeon in the Army during the War of Revolution; afterwards for many years a practicing physician in the County of Plymouth; the author of several historical and scientific works: esteemed of all men for piety and benevolence, public spirit and private kindness. Born February 14th, 1754; died May 26th, 1844. Also Susan Thacher, for 57 years his pious and faithful wife, who died May 17th, 1842, aged 86 years."

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N. E. Hist. Gen. Reg., Vol. I, p. 122; IV, p. ——; V, p. 406; XXII, pp. 276, 309-10; XVIII, p. 30; XLII, p. 165; XLVI, pp. 113, 239; L, p. 200.
Early Mass. Marriages by Bailey, Vol. II, p. 146.
Davis' Landmarks of Plymouth, p. 258.
Hodge Family Genealogy, p. 247.
Burial Hill, Plymouth Inscriptions, p. 220.
Heitman's Register of Officers of Continental Army, 1775-1783, p. 395.
Mass. Hist. Soc. Proceedings, 1871,1873, p. 260.
Mitchell's History of Bridgewater, Mass., pp. 179, 182, 222.

331. MARY[6] THACHER (Lot,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, May 29th, 1731; died at Barnstable, May 11th, 1761; she married, at Barnstable, December 12th, 1751, to Jonathan Lothrop, born Barnstable, September 28th, 1719; he lived at Barnstable, and Hyannis, Mass., and died December 9th, 1784. He was a son of Barnabas Lothrop, of Barnstable (born October 22nd, 1686; died ——, 1756), and his second wife Hannah Chipman (born September 24th, 1699; died June 11th, 1748; married December 25th, 1718).

Children: 4 (Lothrop), 3 sons and 1 daughter, all born at Barnstable.

909 i. Joseph,[7] born October 9th, 1752 (old style); died ——.

910 ii. Rebecca,[7] born October 29th, 1755 (new style); died ——; she was mentioned in will of her grandmother, Hannah Lothrop; dated May 26th, 1763.

911 iii. Mary[7] (or Mercy), born July 10th, 1758; died ——; she was also mentioned in will of her grandmother, Hannah Lothrop.

912 iv. Jonathan,[7] born ——; died ——, young. This child is given solely on the authority of Hon. George Thacher's MSS. genealogy and must have died young, as a second Jonathan was born afterwards.

Jonathan Lothrop, Sr., married a second time at Barnstable, June 27th, 1762, to Eunice Cobb, born ——; died ——.

Children: 3 (Lothrop), sons, all born at Barnstable. *Not in Thacher line.*

1. Thomas, born April 29th, 1763.
2. Jonathan, born February 13th, 1766.
3. David, born June 20th, 1770; died ——; will dated June 14th, 1844, proved March 12th, 1850; married Sarah ——, and had 3 children:—John, Asa, Rebecca.

Barnabas Lothrop (the father of the above Jonathan Lothrop, Sr.), was born October 22nd, 1686; he married, first, February 20th, 1706, to Bethia Fuller, who died October 26th, 1714, aged about 28; he married, second, December 25th, 1718, to Hannah Chipman. In his will, dated April 3rd, 1756, and proved May 4th, 1756, he names as legatees his wife Hannah and three sons, John, Jonathan and Barnabas, his wife Hannah executrix. His wife Hannah's will dated May 26th, 1763, proved July 1st, 1763, names as legatees her daughter-in-law Thankful Lothrop, her three granddaughters Hannah, Mary and Rebecca Lothrop, and her two sons Jonathan and Barnabas, sole executor, her son Barnabas.

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Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy.*

332. CAPT. LOT[6] THACHER (Lot,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, February 19th, 1732-3; he lived at Barnstable, "between Samuel Thacher's house and the Agricultural Hall," and died at Charleston, South Carolina, February 14th, 1763, aged 30; a stone to his memory is to be found in Goodspeed's Hill East Burying-ground at Barnstable. He was married at Barnstable, by the Rev. Joseph Green, October 23rd, 1758, to Martha Taylor, born ——, 1735 (see age at and date of death), at ——; died

January 7th, 1802, in her 67th year, at Barnstable, and was buried there in Goodspeed's Hill East Burying-ground; gravestone. She was a daughter of Rev. Barnabas Taylor.

Children: 2 (Thacher), 1 son and 1 daughter, both born at Barnstable.

913 i. Lot,[7] born ——; died ——, at Charleston, S. C.; he was in some mercantile occupation and is supposed to have died before reaching maturity; not married.

914 ii. Rebecca,[7] born ——, 1761, about; died December 22nd, 1834, at Bristol, R. I., aged 73 years. She lived with her mother until the latter died and then removed to Bristol, R. I. She is said not to have married, but Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy* states that she had a son called Lot[8] Thacher who died, not married, at New Orleans, La.

John[6] Thacher (John[5]) of Barnstable, yeoman, was appointed administrator on May 25th, 1763, of the estate of Lot[6] Thacher, mariner. In the inventory the "quadrant sea books and instruments" are valued at £2.

From the graveyard on Goodspeed's Hill (East) we obtain the following inscription: "In memory of Captain Lot Thacher, who died at Charleston, S. C., February 14th, 1763, *Aetat* 30. Also Mrs. Martha Thacher, widow of Capt. Lot Thacher, who died January 7th, 1802, in the 67th year of her age. She lived desired and died lamented."

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Vital Records of Rhode Island, Vol. VI, p. 165.
Hon. George Thacher's MSS. *Thacher Genealogy*.

333. ELIZABETH[6] LEWIS (Fear[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, July 31st, 1737; renewed covenant together with her husband at Fairfield, Conn., September 16th, 1759; died Fairfield, Conn., January 31st, 1786, aged 49 years, and was buried there in old cemetery; gravestone. She married at Fairfield, September 2nd, 1757, to Samuel Penfield, born Fairfield, November 5th, 1734, baptized there December 8th, 1734; he lived at Fairfield and died there April 2nd, 1811; he was a Lieutenant in the Revolutionary War and is buried in Old Cemetery, Fairfield; gravestone. He was a son of Peter Penfield (born July 14th, 1702; baptized August 1st, 1708, at Bristol, R. I.; died ——; married May 28th, 1730, at Fairfield by Joseph Webb) and Mary Allen (born Fairfield, Conn., August 6th, 1708; baptized there August 8th, 1708; died ——; she was a daughter of Dr. Gideon and Anna (Burr) Allen of Fairfield) of Fairfield, Conn.

Children: 8 (Penfield), 4 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Fairfield.

915 i. Nathaniel,[7] born March 19th, 1758; baptized September 30th, 1759; died ——; married Rachel Marquand, February 24th, 1782, at Fairfield, Conn.; she born ——; died ——; she was a daughter of Henry Marquand (born July 8th, 1737, on Island of Guernsey; died at Fairfield, July 12th, 1772, after 11 years' residence in Fairfield, Conn., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone).

Children: 3 (Penfield), sons, all born at Fairfield.

1. Henry,[8] baptized June 6th, 1784
2. Josiah,[8] baptized July 10th, 1785.
3. Robert,[8] baptized June 21st, 1789.

916 ii. Elizabeth,[7] born or baptized January 6th, 1760; died ——, at ——; married February 24th, 1782, at Fairfield, to Jacob June, born April 17th, 1752, at Stamford, Conn., died ——, at ——; he was a son of Jacob and Rhoda (Ferris) June of Stamford, Conn.

Children: 4 (June), 1 son and 3 daughters.

1. Jacob,[8] baptized Fairfield, May 21st, 1783.
2. Sally,[8] baptized Fairfield, June 23rd, 1785.
3. Elizabeth,[8] born Rye, N. Y., April 22nd, 1787; baptized Fairfield, Conn., August 3rd, 1788; died June 17th, 1863, at Stratford, Conn.; married November 16th, 1803, at New York City, to Josiah Hedden, born February 23rd, 1781, at Newark, N. J., died August 16th, 1832, at New York City. 10 children.

917 iii. Hannah, 1st,[7] born December 28th, 1761; baptized January 3rd, 1762; died April 8th, 1762, at Fairfield, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone:—"In memory of Hannah Penfield, daughter of Mr. Samuel and Mrs. Elizabeth Penfield, who was born December ye 28th, 1761, and departed this life April ye 8th, 1762."

918 iv. Samuel,[7] baptized April 24th, 1763; renewed covenant Fairfield, Conn., June 7th, 1789; died ——; married ——, at ——, to Hannah ——.

Children: 2 (Penfield), sons, both baptized at Fairfield, Conn.

1. George Hoyt,[8] baptized June 7th, 1789.
2. Samuel Lewis,[8] baptized April 25th, 1790.

919 v. Hannah, 2nd,[7] baptized July 21st, 1765; died ——; married January 18th, 1784, at Fairfield,

to Lieut. Gideon Hawley, born ——; died April 11th, 1784, at Fairfield, Conn., and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone.

Child: 1 (Hawley), son, baptized at Fairfield, Conn.

1. Gideon,[8] born ——; baptized November 21st, 1784; died January 6th, 1788, aged 3 years, 6 months, at Fairfield, and was buried there in Old Cemetery.

920 vi. Josiah,[7] baptized December 6th, 1767; died ——.

921 vii. Abigail,[7] baptized September 16th (or 30th), 1770; died June 11th, 1804, aged 33 years, 6 months, at Fairfield, and was buried there in Old Cemetery; gravestone. She married at Fairfield, August 19th, 1792, to James Knap, born ——; died ——.

Child: 1 (Knap), son.

1. Squire,[8] born ——, 1792; died November 11th, 1819, aged 27, and was buried in Old Cemetery, Fairfield; gravestone.

922 viii. David,[7] baptized June 28th, 1772; died ——.

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Schenck's History of Fairfield, Conn., pp. 467, 468, 489, 498, 500, 502.
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Bailey's Early Conn. Marriages, Vol. VI, pp. 42, 45.
Fairfield Graveyard Inscriptions, pp. 44, 162-3.

335. ABIGAIL[6] LEWIS (Fear[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, September 2nd, 1742; died ——, at ——; married Fairfield, Conn., December 1st, 1763, to Andrew Hill, born Fairfield, October 22nd, 1739; baptized Fairfield, Conn., October 28th, 1739; died October 25th, 1769, aged 30 years; graduated Yale College, 1759; his wife and child survived him. He was a son of Captain Thomas Hill by his wife Elizabeth Burr (born October 24th, 1694; died December 19th, 1763, daughter of John and Elizabeth (——) Burr); and grandson of Thomas and Abigail (Wakeman) Hill of Fairfield, Conn.

Child: 1 (Hill) son.

922a i. ——?

Yale Biographies, Vol. 1745-1763, p. 592, states:—"Andrew Hill, Yale College, Class 1759, youngest son of Captain Thomas Hill of Fairfield, Conn., and grandson of Thomas and Abigail (Wakeman) Hill of same town, was born at Fairfield, October 22nd, 1739; his mother was Mary, daughter of John and Elizabeth (——) Burr of Fairfield. He married December 1st, 1763, Abigail, daughter of Nathaniel Lewis of Barnstable, Mass., and

died October 25th, 1769, at age of 30. His wife survived him with one son. He was first marked as deceased in the Triennial Catalogue of 1775; but in the catalogue of 1805 (by accident) the star (indicating death) is wanting. In 1820 (probably also by accident) his name is italicised, which would indicate ordination to the ministry.

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Bailey's Early Conn. Marriages, Vol. VI, p. 38.
Schenck's History of Fairfield, Conn., Vol. II, p. 491.
Yale Biographies, Vol. 1745-1763, p. 592.
Fairfield Grave Yard Inscriptions, p. 232.

336. HANNAH[6] LEWIS (Fear[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, October 16th, 1744; died Harpersfield, Delaware Co., N. Y., September 15th, 1839; married Fairfield, Conn., August 1st, 1763, to Peter Penfield, Jr., born Fairfield, September 15th, 1743; baptized Fairfield, September 18th, 1743, renewed covenant at Fairfield, September 4th, 1763, in company with his wife. He lived for a while in Fairfield and removed and settled at Harpersfield, N. Y., where he died January 12th, 1812. He was a Captain in the Revolutionary War. He was a son of Peter Penfield who came from England and settled in Fairfield, Conn., by his wife Mary Allen, whom he married in Fairfield, May 28th, 1730.

Children: 9 (Penfield), 6 sons and 3 daughters.

923 i. Abigail,[7] born March 4th, 1764; baptized March 18th, 1764, at Fairfield; died April 15th, 1850; married Salmon W. Beardsley, by whom she had 13 children.

924 ii. Lewis,[7] born November 26th, 1765; baptized February 9th, 1766, at Fairfield; died October 21st, 1856; married Ada Beardsley, by whom he had 7 children.

925 iii. Sarah,[7] born September 2nd, 1767; died January 17th, 1860; married Enos Hoyt, by whom she had 2 sons.

926 iv. Peter,[7] born March 27th, 1770; baptized October 7th, 1781, at Fairfield; died February 6th, 1852; married Caty Hawley, by whom he had 12 children.

927 v. Ebenezer,[7] born February 26th, 1773; died January 25th, 1869; married December 1st, 1795, at New Fairfield, Conn., to Sarah Smith, by whom he had 11 children.

928 vi. Nancy,[7] born ——; died ——, in childhood.

929 vii. David,[7] born August 12th, 1779; died December 20th, 1843; married Voa Dicia Scovil, by whom he had 11 children.

930 viii. Joseph,[7] born July 22nd, 1781; baptized Fairfield, Conn., October 7th, 1781; died August 20th, 1869; married Priscilla Barnum, by whom he had 11 children.

931 ix. Benjamin,[7] born January 19th, 1787; died August 16th, 1805; not married.

The Penfield Mss. genealogy, which was loaned to me by Miss Frances J. Eggleston of Oswego, N. Y., and which was in all particulars a most carefully compiled volume, is erroneous in stating that Peter Penfield, Jr., who married Hannah[6] Lewis, was born September 25th, 1743; as he was baptized September 18th, 1743, I have placed his birth September 15th instead of 25th. The same authority states that his son Joseph[7] Penfield (No. 930) was born in 1785; but as he was baptized October 7th, 1781, I have changed the year of birth to 1781.

AUTHORITIES:

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Otis' Barnstable Families, Vol. II, p. 136.
Bailey's Early Conn. Marriages, Vol. VI, pp. 34, 38.
Schenck's Fairfield, Vol. II, pp. 468, 499, 500, 520.

337. NATHANIEL[6] LEWIS (Fear[5] Thacher, Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Barnstable, June 5th, 1747. Beyond this date of birth I know nothing positive about him. He was the only son of his father, Nathaniel Lewis, who lived and died in Barnstable, but whose daughters for some reason unexplained, married and settled in Fairfield, Conn. It is fair to presume that Nathaniel[6] Lewis inherited his father's property in Barnstable and settled and married there; and therefore the following record obtained from Hinckley's copy of *Barnstable Records* (in N. E. Hist. Gen. Soc.) may be the record of the above Nathaniel[6] Lewis (No. 337), viz:—"Nathaniel Lewis of Barnstable and Mary Taylor of Yarmouth published intention of marriage at Barnstable, April 25th, 1772." This date of marriage is consistent with his date of birth, June 5th, 1747; as he would in 1772 be about 25 years of age. Cattle mark of Nathaniel Lewis recorded at Barnstable, February 5th, 1774. I think this Barnstable Nathaniel Lewis and Nathaniel[6] Lewis (No. 337) are one and the same person and that by the above recorded marriage he had at least one son, for from the Hinckley copy of Barnstable records we obtain the following, viz:—"Children of Nathaniel Lewis, Jr., and Margaret his wife recorded at Barnstable.

1. Mary Fear, born April 23rd, 1806.
2. Margaret Lesvin, born November 9th, 1808.
3. Jane Taylor, born June 5th, 1812."

What makes this hypothesis probable is the names of the children; for if the Nathaniel Lewis of Barnstable was identical with

Nathaniel Lewis (No. 337) above, then he married as above recorded Mary Taylor and had a son Nathaniel[7] Lewis, who married Margaret —— (?); and their first child was named Mary Fear Lewis, in whose baptismal name we note the baptismal names of her grandmother Mary Taylor and of her great-grandmother Fear[5] Thacher. The second child, Margaret Lesvin[8] Lewis, in her baptismal name repeats the baptismal name of her mother Margaret and in the second name Lesvin suggests the maiden surname of her mother, which is not positively known to me. The third child, Jane Taylor[8] Lewis in her baptismal name repeats the maiden surname of her grandmother Taylor and in the name Jane suggests that her Taylor great-grandmother may have been Jane Taylor. This is plausible, but, after all, from my positive knowledge is but a mere likely conjecture. There is no record of the death or burial of Nathaniel[6] Lewis in Barnstable and it is possible that he may have removed therefrom as well as his son, Nathaniel[7] Lewis.

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Bailey's Early Conn. Marriages, Vol. VI, pp. 39-45.
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338. MARTHA FEARING[6] THACHER (Rev. Roland,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Wareham, Mass., June 19th, 1741; died at Lee, Mass., October 10th, 1825; married at Wareham, Mass., December 15th, 1762, to Nathaniel Howland, born Barnstable, Mass., October 9th, 1736; he lived at Barnstable and Lee, Mass.; he died at Lee, November 28th (or 29th), 1804, aged 68, and was buried there. He was a son of Jabez and Elizabeth (Percival) Howland of Barnstable, Mass.

Children: 10 (Howland), 3 sons and 7 daughters.

+932 i. Sylvia,[7] born November 2nd, 1763; died November 4th, 1825; married Wally Goodspeed.

933 ii. Roland, 1st,[7] born January 12th, 1766; died April 27th 1769.

+934 iii. Lucy,[7] born June 23rd, 1769; died ——; married John Fairfield of Pittsfield, Mass.

935 iv. Roland, 2nd,[7] born August 19th, 1770; died ——, at sea, of yellow fever.

+936 v. Martha,[7] born August 28th, 1772; died April 13th, 1841; married John Coleman Howland.

937 vi. Abigail,[7] born May 12th, 1775; died June 30th, 1779.

938 vii. Rebecca,[7] born June 19th, 1777; died ——, 1839. Not married.

+939 viii. Abigail T.,[7] born September 7th, 1779; died June 24th, 1865; married Gershom Bassett.

+940 ix. Elizabeth,[7] born June 15th, 1782; died ——; married John Fairfield.

+941 x. James,[7] born May 22nd, 1786; died ——; married Ruth Fish.

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339. JERUSHA[6] THACHER (Rev. Roland,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Wareham, Mass., April 3rd, 1743; died ——; married at Wareham, January 11th, 1763, to John Gibbs, of Sandwich, Mass., born ——, at ——; died ——, at ——. His parentage as yet not determined by me.

Children: 3 (Gibbs), 1 son and 2 daughters.

942 i. Caleb,[7] born ——, 1765; died February 27th, 1847, aged 82, at Sandwich, Mass.
943 ii. Abigail.[7]
944 iii. Elizabeth.[7]

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340. DEACON ROLAND[6] THACHER (Rev. Roland,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Wareham, Mass., March 13th, 1745; he resided at Wareham and Lee, Mass., and died at Lee, Mass., March 29th (or 30th), 1813, aged 68, and was buried at Lee, Mass.; gravestone. He was a farmer. He married at Wareham, Mass., by Rev. Roland[5] Thacher, January 28th, 1773 (int. pub. December 12th, 1772), to Elizabeth Nye, born Rochester, Mass., September 22nd, 1743; died Lee, Mass., July 25th, 1807, aged 63, and was buried at Lee; gravestone. She was a daughter of David Nye (born Sandwich, Mass., July 1st, 1706; died Douglas, Mass, April 17th, 1796), and Elizabeth (Briggs) Nye (born ——; died September 8th, 1777), of Rochester, and Douglas, Mass., to which latter place David Nye removed before 1772 and where he kept a tavern in 1781.

Children: 7 (Thacher), 3 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Wareham, Mass.

+945 i. Timothy,[7] born February 15th, 1774; died October 30th, 1833; married Dorothy Phelps.
+946 ii. Lucy,[7] born August 17th, 1775; died April 26th, 1802; married Nathan Tobey.
+947 iii. Abigail,[7] born May 27th, 1777; died January 13th, 1846; married Joshua Briggs.

+948 iv. Roland,[7] born February 6th, 1779; died May 5th, 1809; married, first, Betsey Freeman; married, second, Lucretia Hinckley.

+949 v. Stephen,[7] born March 6th, 1781; died March 1st, 1880; married Hannah Bassett.

+950 vi. Adah,[7] born December 12th, 1783 (or '84); died March 23rd, 1812; married John Eels, Jr.

951 vii. Desire,[7] born March 2nd, 1786; died December 20th, 1786, at Wareham, Mass., and was buried there; gravestone.

Deacon Roland[6] Thacher was one of the first settlers of Lee, Mass. At a town meeting at Lee, April 1st, 1799, Roland[6] Thacher was on a committee to appraise values of pews in church. May 7th, 1799, he was on committee to get subscriptions for pews in new church. May 5th, 1800, on committee to find site for new Meeting House. This Meeting House was built in Lee in 1800 and Roland[6] Thacher was assigned pew No. 11 and was charged $80.00 for same. His cattle mark is recorded at Lee:—"Crop off left ear, half penny under side the right ear and slit in end of same." January 10th, 1799, Deacon Roland[6] Thacher and wife were members of church in Wareham and were on that date received into occasional communion in church at Lee, August 9th, 1799, they were propounded by having their letters of dismissal from Wareham read publicly. September 8th, 1799, they were received into full communion at Lee.

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341. SYLVIA[6] THACHER (Rev. Roland,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born Wareham, Mass., May 16th, 1747; died January 1st, 1830, aged 82 years, at Barnstable, Mass.; married November 30th, 1768, at Wareham, Mass., to Alvan Crocker, born Cotuit, Barnstable Co., Mass., November 6th (or 17th), 1747; he lived at Cotuit and was a farmer and died there February 18th, 1829, in the 82nd year of his age; both he and his wife were buried in Marston Mills, Barnstable Co., Cemetery; gravestones. He was a son of Ebenezer Crocker (born November —, 1713; died ——; married, 1746), and his second wife, Zerviah Winslow (daughter of Kenelm Winslow of Harwich, Mass.), of Cotuit, Mass.

Children: 7 (Crocker), 3 sons and 4 daughters, all born at Cotuit.

+952 i. Thirza,[7] born September 19th, 1769; died April 29th, 1828; married Capt. James Childs.

+953 ii. Lucy,[7] born August 28th, 1771; died October 9th, 1853; married Rev. Philander Shaw.

+954 iii. Roland Thacher,[7] born March 7th, 1773; died October 22nd, 1846; married Rebecca Jenkins Bacon.

+955 iv. Ezra,[7] born March 21st, 1775; died April 9th, 1843; married, first, Temperance Crocker; married, second, Lydia Nye.

+956 v. Alvan,[7] born May 6th, 1777; died November 22nd, 1862; married, first, Phebe Crocker; married, second, Lucy T. Sampson.

957 vi. Sylvia,[7] born July 1st, 1779; died January 5th, 1843, at Cotuit, and was buried there; gravestone; not married.

958 vii. Zerviah,[7] born June 26th (or 28th), 1781; died March 13th, 1874, at Cotuit, and was buried in Marston Mills Cemetery, Barnstable Co., Mass.; not married.

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342. DESIRE[6] THACHER (Rev. Roland,[5] Col. John,[4] Hon. Col. John,[3] Antony,[2] Rev. Peter[1]), born at Wareham, Mass., July 27th, 1749; died at Wareham, January 4th, 1815; and was buried at Parker Mills (Wareham), Mass.; gravestone; she married at Wareham, March 7th, 1771, to David Nye, born Rochester, Mass., April 2nd, 1738; he lived in Rochester, Mass., that part of it that became Wareham in 1739. He was a farmer and large land owner, selectman. Rep. to Mass. G. C., Captain in Rev. War and on Committee of Correspondence. He died at Wareham, June 16th, 1816, and was buried at Parker Mills, Mass.; gravestone. (The gravestone was re-cut some years ago and now reads that he died in 1810; but according to J. W. Lincoln, who read the original inscription, it was in 1816 that he died.) He was a son of David Nye (born Sandwich, July 1st, 1706; died Douglas, Mass., April 17th, 1796; married Rochester, Mass., October 19th, 1733, by Rev. Timothy Ruggles), and his wife Elizabeth (Briggs) Nye (who died September 8th, 1777), of Rochester and Douglas, Mass., in which latter place David Nye, Senior, kept an inn.

Children: 9 (Nye), 3 sons and 6 daughters; all born in Wareham, Mass.